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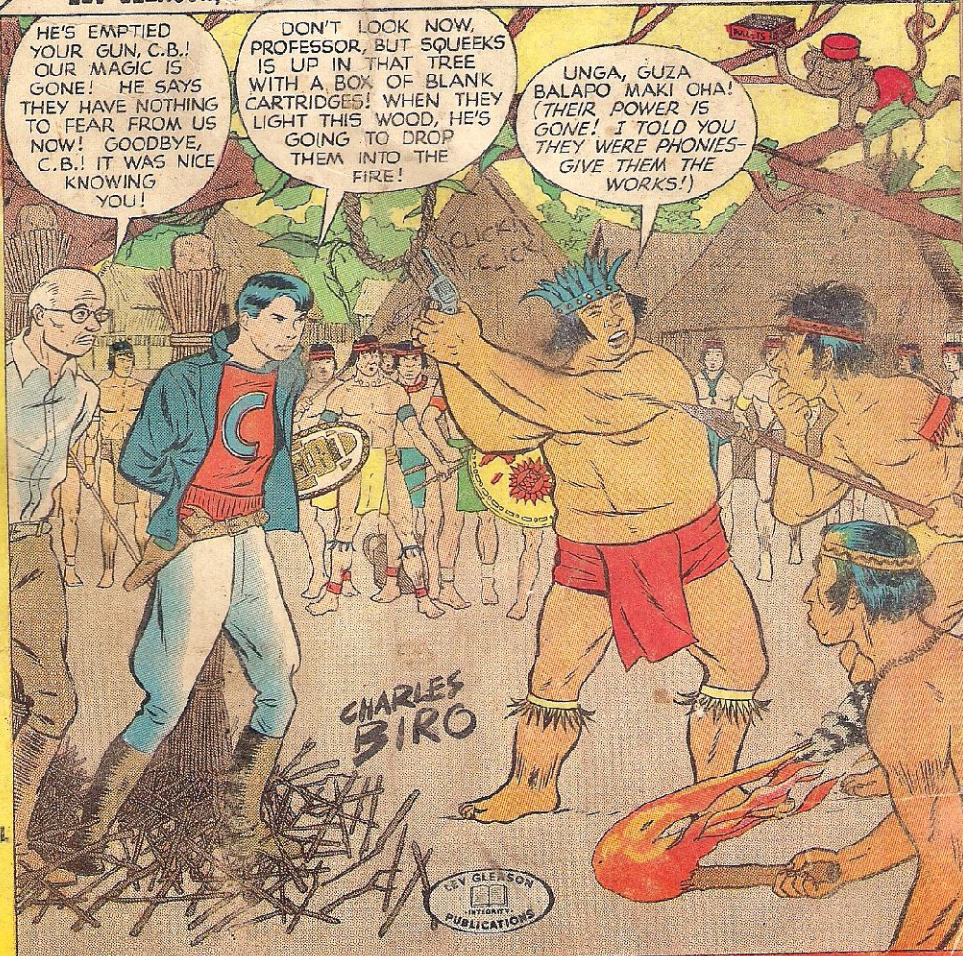
**"C. B. MEETS
THE HABITUAL
LIAR!"**

WHAT HAPPENS
WHEN NO ONE
BELIEVES HIS
ONE AND ONLY
TRUTH?

and

**"C. B. AND
THE GOOD-BAD
BOY!"**

THERE IS A
CHOICE ON THE
ROAD TO
MANHOOD
WHEN A BAD
BOY MUST
MAKE HIS FINAL
CHOICE! WHAT
WAS SCOTTY'S
CHOICE?



HE'S EMPTIED
YOUR GUN, C.B.!
OUR MAGIC IS
GONE! HE SAYS
THEY HAVE NOTHING
TO FEAR FROM US
NOW! GOODBYE,
C.B.! IT WAS NICE
KNOWING
YOU!

DON'T LOOK NOW,
PROFESSOR, BUT SQUEEKS
IS UP IN THAT TREE
WITH A BOX OF BLANK
CARTRIDGES! WHEN THEY
LIGHT THIS WOOD, HE'S
GOING TO DROP
THEM INTO THE
FIRE!

UNGA, GUZA
BALAPO MAKI OHA!
(THEIR POWER IS
GONE! I TOLD YOU
THEY WERE PHONIES-
GIVE THEM THE
WORKS!)

CLICK!
CLICK!

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CRIMEBUSTER GOES ON THE MOST DANGEROUS ADVENTURE OF HIS LIFE! WHAT WAS THE DEADLY SECRET BEHIND THE WALLS OF THE STONE CITY? WHAT WEIRD TRAGEDY BEFELL ALL THE INHABITANTS?



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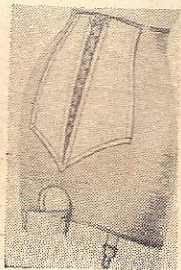
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HABITUAL
LIAR!**

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THEY'RE WHIPPING THEMSELVES UP INTO A FRENZY, C.B! ONLY A MIRACLE CAN SAVE US!

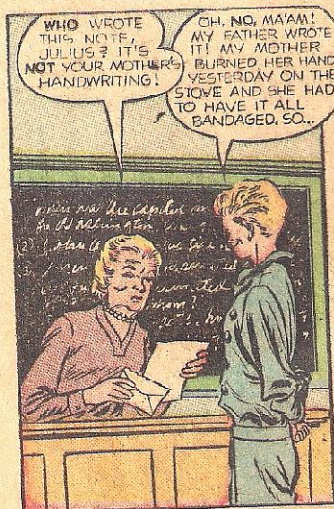
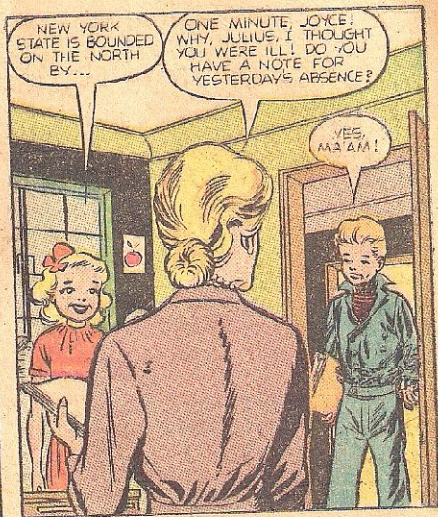
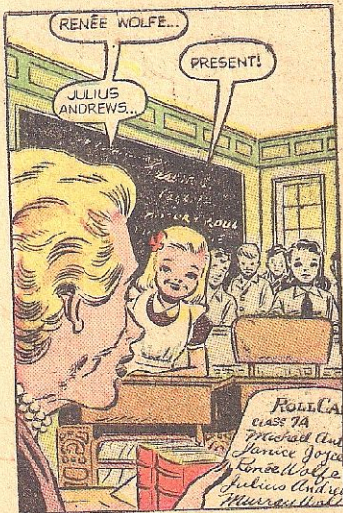
YOU'RE TELLING ME! IF ONLY I COULD GET MY HANDS FREE!



ILLUSTRATED BY
HERMAN MAURER

THIS IS A STORY ABOUT A LIAR! THERE ARE MANY KINDS OF LIARS... SOME LIE IN ORDER TO GAIN MONEY! THERE ARE THOSE WHO LIE TO GAIN SYMPATHY! BUT THE MOST COMMON OF ALL LIARS, AND PERHAPS THE MOST PITIFUL, IS THE HABITUAL LIAR, WHO LIES BECAUSE OF A DESIRE TO IMPRESS OTHERS WITH HIS IMPORTANCE! IT IS HIS LAZY WAY OF ACHIEVING A PHONY SUCCESS! OF COURSE, NO ONE EVER BELIEVES SUCH A LIAR A SECOND TIME, SO THEREFORE THE DANCER HIS LYING HOLDS, FORTUNATELY, CAN HARM NO ONE BUT HIMSELF! TO BE CAUGHT IN SUCH A LIE CAN COST A PERSON THE RESPECT OF EVERYONE IN HIS COMMUNITY! IT IS A DIFFICULT MARK TO LIVE DOWN, AS YOU WILL SEE IN THIS STORY OF THE HABITUAL LIAR!

Charles Biro



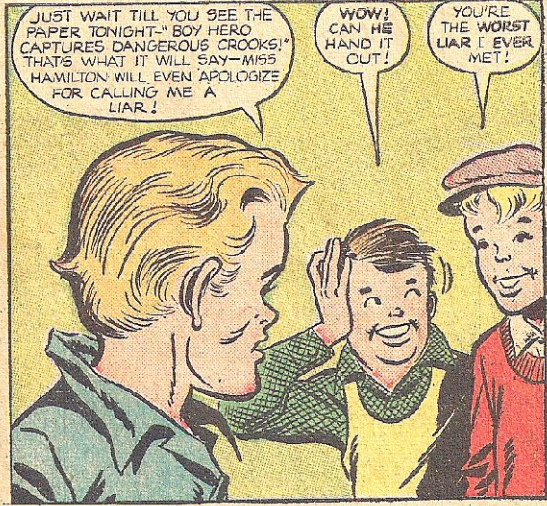


WHAT DID MISS HAMILTON DO TO YOU?

YEAH, DID SHE PHONE YOUR MOTHER?

WHEN ARE YOU GONNA STOP THROWIN' THE BULL?

NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS! YOU'RE ALL JUST JEALOUS THAT'S ALL!



JUST WAIT TILL YOU SEE THE PAPER TONIGHT-"BOY HERO CAPTURES DANGEROUS CROOKS!" THAT'S WHAT IT WILL SAY-MISS HAMILTON WILL EVEN APOLOGIZE FOR CALLING ME A LIAR!

WOW! CAN HE HAND IT OUT!

YOU'RE THE WORST LIAR I EVER MET!

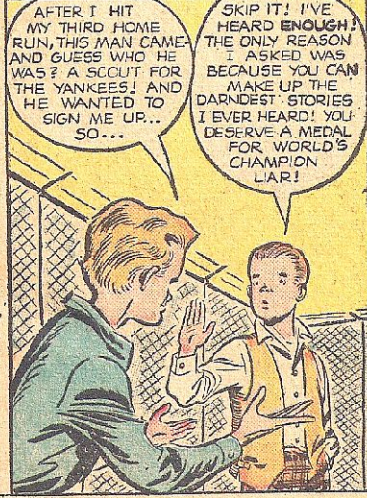


JULIUS, TELL ME WHAT REALLY DID HAPPEN YESTERDAY-WHERE WERE YOU?

WELL, CAN YOU KEEP A SECRET? IT'S SOMETHING SO SPECIAL, I COULDN'T EVEN TELL MISS HAMILTON!

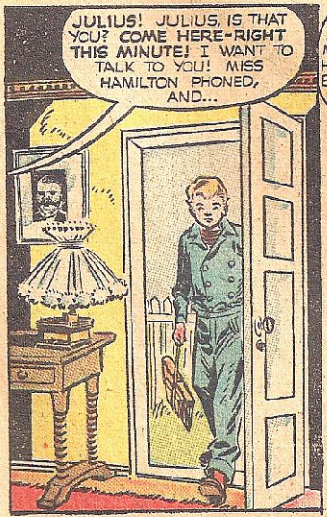


I WAS ON MY WAY TO SCHOOL YESTERDAY WHEN I PASSED THAT SAND-LOT ON THE CORNER OF ELM STREET, WHERE A BUNCH OF BIG GUNS WERE PLAYING BALL! THEY WERE ONE SHORT ON THE TEAM, SO THEY ASKED ME TO PLAY!



AFTER I HIT MY THIRD HOME RUN, THIS MAN CAME AND GUESSED WHO HE WAS? A SCOUT FOR THE YANKEES! AND HE WANTED TO SIGN ME UP... SO...

SKIP IT! I'VE HEARD ENOUGH! THE ONLY REASON I ASKED WAS BECAUSE YOU CAN MAKE UP THE DARDEST STORIES I EVER HEARD! YOU DESERVE A MEDAL FOR "WORLD'S CHAMPION LIAR!"

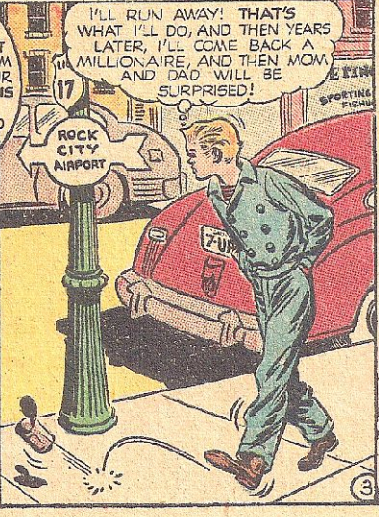


JULIUS! JULIUS, IS THAT YOU? COME HERE-RIGHT THIS MINUTE! I WANT TO TALK TO YOU! MISS HAMILTON PHONED, AND...

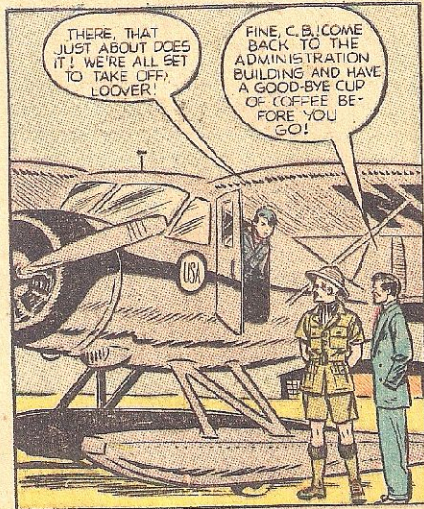


BUT I WAS IN SCHOOL YESTERDAY, MOM! I GUESS MISS HAMILTON MUST HAVE BEEN MIXED UP AND MARKED ME ABSENT BY MISTAKE!

AND WHAT ABOUT THAT NOTE YOU GAVE HER? DON'T TRY TO EXPLAIN! I'M GOING TO LET YOUR FATHER HANDLE THIS WHEN HE COMES HOME! YOU'VE TOLD ONE LIE TOO MANY, YOUNG MAN!



I'LL RUN AWAY! THAT'S WHAT I'LL DO, AND THEN YEARS LATER, I'LL COME BACK A MILLIONAIRE, AND THEN MOM, AND DAD WILL BE SURPRISED!



THERE, THAT JUST ABOUT DOES IT! WE'RE ALL SET TO TAKE OFF! LOOVER!

FINE, C.B., COME BACK TO THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND HAVE A GOOD-BYE CUP OF COFFEE BEFORE YOU GO!



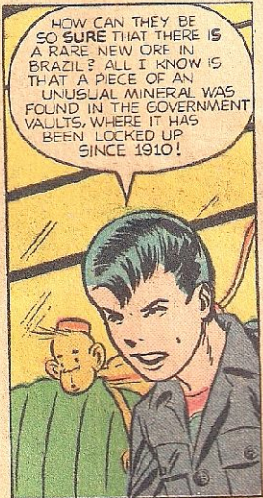
C.B., I DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU AND PROFESSOR HIGGINS HOW SECRET THIS MISSION IS. THAT YOU ARE GOING ON! I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU SOME MORE DATA THAT I'VE COLLECTED WHICH MAY HELP YOU!



FORTUNATELY, THIS SECTION OF BRAZIL IS WITHIN A FEW HUNDRED MILES OF THE AREA WHERE YOUR EXPEDITION IN 1929 WAS LOCATED, PROFESSOR, SO YOU'LL HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF KNOWING THE NATIVE INDIAN DIALECTS!



ONLY THE TOP OFFICIALS OF BRAZIL AND THE UNITED STATES KNOW THE REAL PURPOSE OF YOUR TRIP! EVERYONE ELSE THINKS YOU'RE IN SEARCH OF RARE MEDICAL HERBS! IT WOULD BE MOST DANGEROUS TO LET IT BE KNOWN THAT YOUR REAL OBJECTIVE IS RADIO-ACTIVE ORE!



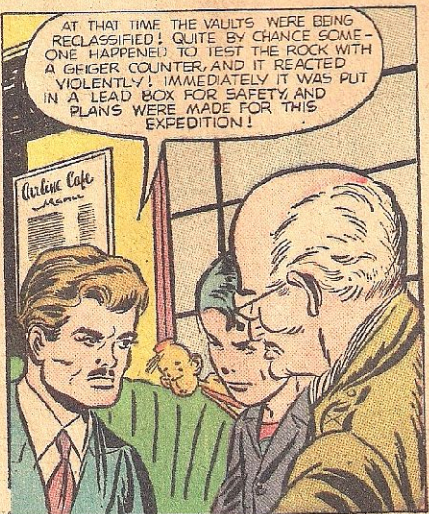
HOW CAN THEY BE SO SURE THAT THERE IS A RARE NEW ORE IN BRAZIL? ALL I KNOW IS THAT A PIECE OF AN UNUSUAL MINERAL WAS FOUND IN THE GOVERNMENT VAULTS, WHERE IT HAS BEEN LOCKED UP SINCE 1910!



NO ONE EVER HEARD MUCH ABOUT THE LALLY EXPEDITION OF 1920! ARTHUR LALLY WAS AN ANTHROPOLOGIST! HE WENT TO BRAZIL TO TRY AND UNCOVER SOME ANCIENT INDIAN RUINS HE'D HEARD ABOUT! WHEN LALLY WENT INTO THE JUNGLE HE WAS A HEALTHY YOUNG MAN! THREE MONTHS LATER HE EMERGED—THE ONLY MEMBER OF HIS PARTY ALIVE—AND ON THE VERGE OF DEATH!



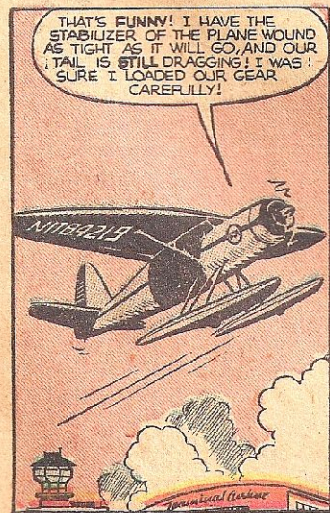
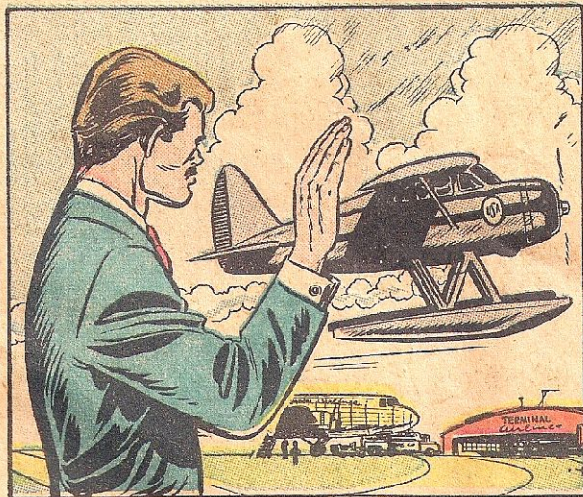
—ALL THAT HE BROUGHT BACK WAS A PIECE OF ROCK WHICH HE SAID HAD A CURSE ON IT! A SHORT TIME LATER HE DIED OF A STRANGE MALADY! IN HIS WILL HE LEFT THE STONE TO THE GOVERNMENT! HAVING NO USE FOR IT, THEY LOCKED IT AWAY IN A VAULT, WHERE IT REMAINED UNTOUCHED UNTIL LAST MONTH!

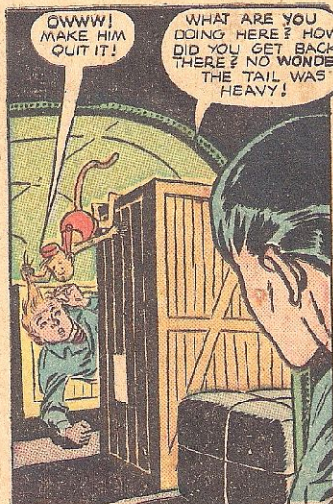


AT THAT TIME THE VAULTS WERE BEING RECLASSIFIED! QUITE BY CHANCE SOMEONE HAPPENED TO TEST THE ROCK WITH A GIGGER COUNTER, AND IT REACTED VIOLENTLY! IMMEDIATELY IT WAS PUT IN A LEAD BOX FOR SAFETY, AND PLANS WERE MADE FOR THIS EXPEDITION!



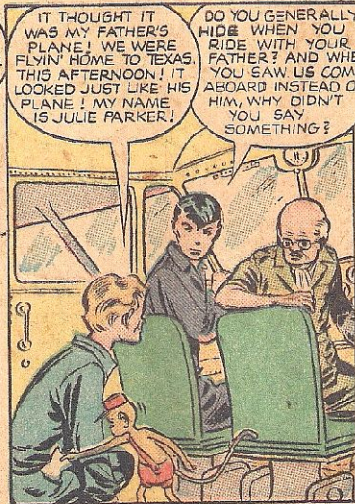
I JUST MANAGED TO SECURE LALLY'S DIARY OF THE EXPEDITION FROM THE ATTIC OF HIS FORMER HOME! IT CONTAINS SOME VERY HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR YOU! ALSO, THERE IS A FRAGMENT OF THE ROCK IN THIS LEAD BOX WHICH YOU CAN USE FOR COMPARISON!





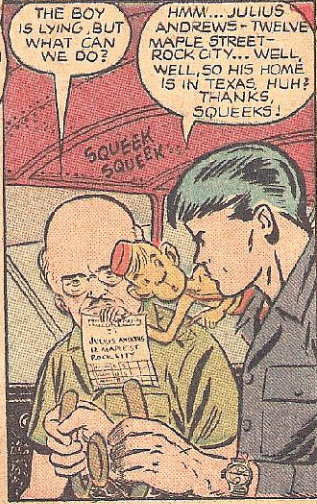
OWWWW!
MAKE HIM
QUIT IT!

WHAT ARE YOU
DOING HERE? HOW
DID YOU GET BACK
THERE? NO WONDER
THE TAIL WAS
HEAVY!



IT THOUGHT IT
WAS MY FATHER'S
PLANE! WE WERE
FLYIN' HOME TO TEXAS.
THIS AFTERNOON! IT
LOOKED JUST LIKE HIS
PLANE! MY NAME
IS JULIE PARKER!

DO YOU GENERALLY
HIDE WHEN YOU
RIDE WITH YOUR
FATHER? AND WHEN
YOU SAW US COME
ABOARD INSTEAD OF
HIM, WHY DIDN'T
YOU SAY
SOMETHING?



THE BOY
IS LYING, BUT
WHAT CAN
WE DO?

HMM... JULIUS
ANDREWS - TWELVE
MAPLE STREET -
ROCK CITY... WELL,
WELL, SO HIS HOME
IS IN TEXAS, HUH?
THANKS,
SQUEEKS!



OKAY! I'LL ADMIT
IT! I STOWED AWAY
ONLY PLEASE LET ME
GO WITH YOU! I LIVE
WITH A CRUEL STEP-
MOTHER, AND I
COULDN'T STAND
IT ANY LONGER!

YOU'RE
STILL LYING!
PIPE DOWN
AND LET ME
THINK!



I'M IN A SPOT! IF I TURN
BACK NOW I'LL BE GOING INTO
A STORM CENTER AND WE MAY
BE DELAYED FOR DAYS! THE
WEATHER UP AHEAD IS PERFECT!
THE BEST THING WOULD BE TO
RADIO BACK AND ARRANGE TO
HAVE HIM PICKED UP AND
RETURNED WHEN WE
STOP TO REFUEL!

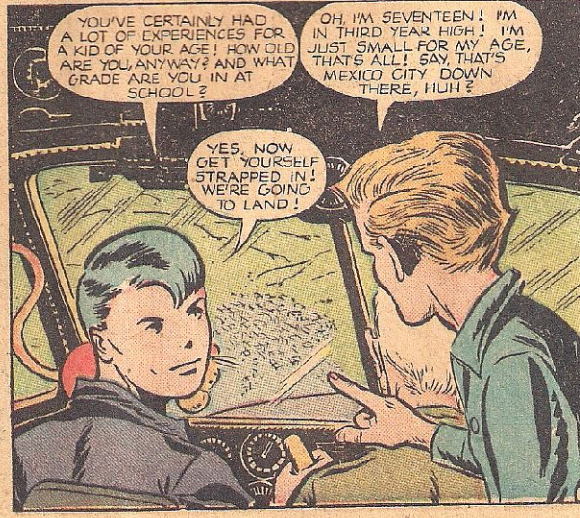


HELLO-HELLO-FLIGHT 187
CALLING ROCK CITY AIRPORT...
UARN! THE STORM CENTER
IS SO BAD OVER ROCK CITY THAT
I CAN'T GET THROUGH ON
THE RADIO!



THE ONLY THING WE
CAN DO IS ARRANGE
WITH AUTHORITIES IN
MEXICO CITY TO HAVE HIM
SHIPPED BACK! WE CAN
NOTIFY HIS PARENTS
FROM THERE! THEY'LL
PROBABLY BE
FRANTIC!

MEXICO CITY!
OH, BOY! WHY, THE
LAST TIME I WAS IN
MEXICO, IT WAS ON
AN EXPEDITION WITH
MY UNCLE LOOKIN'
FOR OIL, AND...



YOU'VE CERTAINLY HAD
A LOT OF EXPERIENCES FOR
A KID OF YOUR AGE! HOW OLD
ARE YOU, ANYWAY? AND WHAT
GRADE ARE YOU IN AT
SCHOOL?

OH, I'M SEVENTEEN! I'M
IN THIRD YEAR HIGH! I'M
JUST SMALL FOR MY AGE,
THAT'S ALL! SAY, THAT'S
MEXICO CITY DOWN
THERE, HUH?

YES, NOW
GET YOURSELF
STRAPPED IN!
WE'RE GOING
TO LAND!



WE FOUND A STOWAWAY ABOARD— A YOUNG BOY! I'D LIKE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU TO HOLD HIM HERE UNTIL HE CAN BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES!



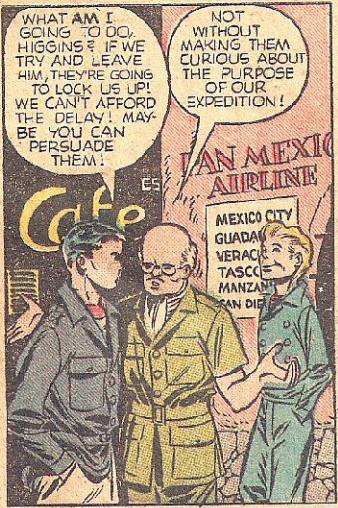
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE, SENOR! YOU HAD NO RIGHT TO BRING HIM OVER THE BORDER! I REFUSE TO ACCEPT THE RESPONSIBILITY! EITHER YOU MUST TAKE HIM BACK, OR TAKE HIM WITH YOU—BUT LEAVE HIM—NO!

BUT WE CAN'T! HE'S NOT A MEMBER OF OUR PARTY! HE'S A STOWAWAY!



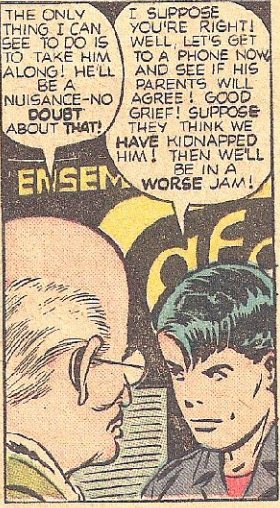
HOW DO I KNOW YOU DID NOT KIDNAP HIM AND SMAUGGLE HIM OVER THE BORDER? IF SO, THAT WOULD BE A SERIOUS OFFENSE! MAYBE I SHOULD ARREST ALL OF YOU--

PSST--IF YOU DON'T TAKE ME ALONG I'LL TELL THEM YOU KIDNAPPED ME!



WHAT AM I GOING TO DO, HIGGINS? IF WE TRY AND LEAVE HIM, THEY'RE GOING TO LOCK US UP! WE CAN'T AFFORD THE DELAY! MAYBE YOU CAN PERSUADE THEM!

NOT WITHOUT MAKING THEM CURIOUS ABOUT THE PURPOSE OF OUR EXPEDITION!



THE ONLY THING I CAN SEE TO DO IS TO TAKE HIM ALONG! HE'LL BE A NUISANCE—NO DOUBT ABOUT THAT!

I SUPPOSE YOU'RE RIGHT! WELL, LET'S GET TO A PHONE NOW AND SEE IF HIS PARENTS WILL AGREE! GOOD GRIEF! SUPPOSE THEY THINK WE HAVE KIDNAPPED HIM! THEN WE'LL BE IN A WORSE JAM!



JULIUS IS IN MEXICO? THIS ISN'T ANOTHER OF HIS FANTASTIC LIES, IS IT?

NO! IT'S ALL QUITE TRUE! HE STOWED AWAY IN OUR PLANE THIS AFTERNOON! WE TRIED TO ARRANGE WITH THE MEXICAN AUTHORITIES FOR HIS RETURN, BUT THEY WON'T ACCEPT THE RESPONSIBILITY! IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO RETURN!



I'M DREADFULLY SORRY THAT JULIUS HAS CAUSED YOU ALL THIS TROUBLE! I'M QUITE WILLING TO AGREE TO HIS GOING ON THE EXPEDITION WITH YOU, SINCE THERE IS NO ALTERNATIVE! PERHAPS SOME ROUGH EXPERIENCES WILL CURE HIM OF HIS CHRONIC LYING!

OH, SO HE IS AN HABITUAL LIAR! HA! PERHAPS YOU CAN TELL ME A FEW THINGS ABOUT HIM—FIRST OF ALL...



OH, DEAR! EVERYTHING HE'S TOLD YOU IS A LIE! HE'S ONLY THIRTEEN AND IN 7A ELEMENTARY SCHOOL! HE'S NEVER TRAVELED IN HIS LIFE—LET ALONE BEEN IN A PLANE! HE'S A GOOD BOY AND SMART, BUT HE'S ALWAYS MAKING UP THE MOST AWFUL STORIES! I HOPE YOU CAN CURE HIM!

THANK YOU, MRS. ANDREWS. I'LL TRY! AND I'LL TAKE GOOD CARE OF HIM ON THE TRIP!



OKAY, WE'RE ALL SET! AND YOU'RE COMING ALONG, JULIUS, SO HOP ABOARD! ONLY FROM HERE ON, REMEMBER—YOU'RE A MEMBER OF THE CREW, AND YOU TAKE ORDERS FROM PROFESSOR HIGGINS AND ME!

YESSIR! YOU BET, C.B.! AND YOU WON'T BE SORRY! I CAN BE A BIG HELP TO YOU—WAITAN SEE!



JULIUS, I'VE DECIDED TO MAKE YOU NAVIGATOR FOR THIS TRIP! AFTER ALL, THAT OUGHT TO BE EASY FOR YOU SINCE YOU MUST HAVE HAD A LOT OF ALGEBRA, CELESTIAL NAVIGATION AND STUDIES LIKE THAT IN HIGH SCHOOL!

E-ER—OH—OH SURE!



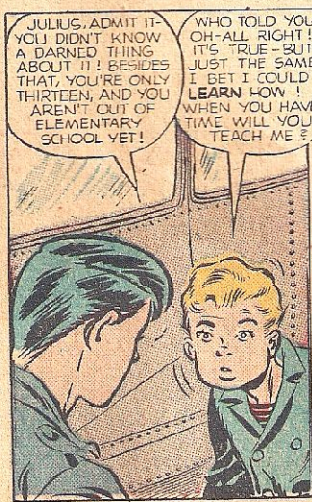
HERE'S THE MAP AND HERE'S OUR COURSE AS I'VE CHARTED IT! SO FAR! YOU GET TO WORK AND CHART OUT THE BALANCE OF OUR COURSE FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS! YOU KNOW HOW TO READ THE INSTRUMENTS, OF COURSE!

GULP? Y-YES!



HOW ARE YOU MAKING OUT, JULIUS? HURRY IT UP, WILL YOU?

GEE, C.B. I—I'M ALL MIXED UP! MAYBE YOU'D BETTER...



JULIUS, ADMIT IT—YOU DIDN'T KNOW A DARNED THING ABOUT IT! BRIDES THAT, YOU'RE ONLY THIRTEEN, AND YOU AREN'T OUT OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL YET!

WHO TOLD YOU? OH—ALL RIGHT! IT'S TRUE—BUT JUST THE SAME, I BET I COULD LEARN HOW! WHEN DO YOU HAVE TIME TO TEACH ME?



BEAUTIFUL NAVIGATING, C.B.! YOU ARE EXACTLY RIGHT! THERE'S THE JUNCTION OF THE TWO RIVERS, EXACTLY AS IT'S SHOWN ON THE MAP!

GOOD! NOW LET'S HOPE THAT THE RIVER IS SAFE FOR LANDING! I'D HATE TO KIP OPEN OUR PONTOONS ON A SUBMERGED LOG! I'LL FLY LOW OVER THE SPOT! IN FLYING IT'S CALLED DRAGGING!

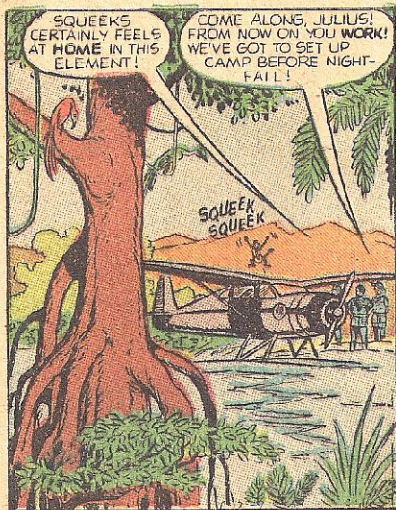


IT'S A LITTLE ROUGH IN SPOTS, BUT I THINK WE'LL MAKE IT!



TELL ME WHEN YOU'RE ABOUT TO TOUCH, C.B.! I'D LIKE TO KNOW HOW IT FEELS!

WE'VE ALREADY TOUCHED, PROFESSOR!



SQUEEK'S CERTAINLY FEELS AT HOME IN THIS ELEMENT!

COME ALONG, JULIUS! FROM NOW ON YOU WORK! WE'VE GOT TO SET UP CAMP BEFORE NIGHT-FALL!

SQUEEK SQUEEK



NOW WHERE'S THAT KID? JULIUS! HEY-- JULIUS!

HELLO! HERE I AM-- DOWN BY THE RIVER!



HERE! STOP THAT! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?

DIDJA SEE THAT? A PERFECT BULL'S-EYE! THIS IS FUN!



HOW WOULD YOU LIKE IT IF SOMEONE THREW ROCKS AT YOU & IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO LEARN THAT THERE'S NEVER AN EXCUSE TO HURT DUMB ANIMALS! THEY WON'T BOTHER YOU IF YOU LEAVE THEM ALONE!

AW, I DIDN'T FIGURE I COULD HURT THEM! I DIDN'T MEAN ANY HARM!



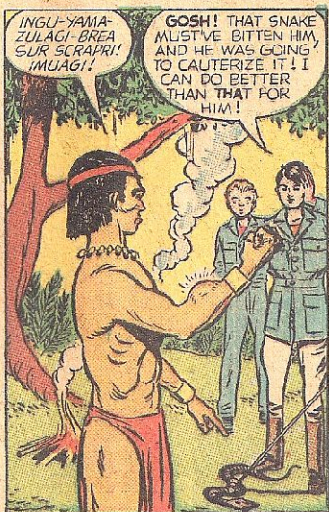
LOOK, JULIUS! SMOKE! LET'S GO INVESTIGATE-- ONLY BE QUIET! WE DON'T WANT TO FALL INTO THE HANDS OF A HOSTILE INDIAN TRIBE!



GOSH! LOOK, C.B.! HE'S GONNA BURN HIMSELF WITH THAT WHITE-HOT POKER!

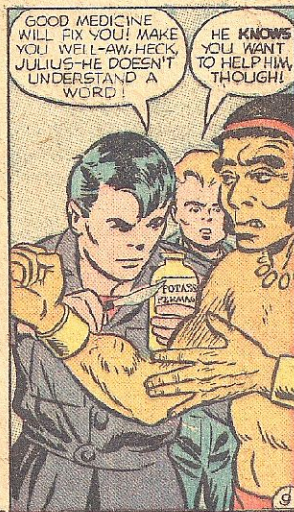


STOP! WHY YOU TRY BURN SELF?



INGU-YAMA-ZULAGI-BREA-SUK SCRAPPI! MUAGI!

GOSH! THAT SNAKE MUST'VE BITTEN HIM, AND HE WAS GOING TO CAUTERIZE IT! I CAN DO BETTER THAN THAT FOR HIM!



GOOD MEDICINE WILL FIX YOU! MAKE YOU WELL--AW, HECK, JULIUS--HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND A WORD!

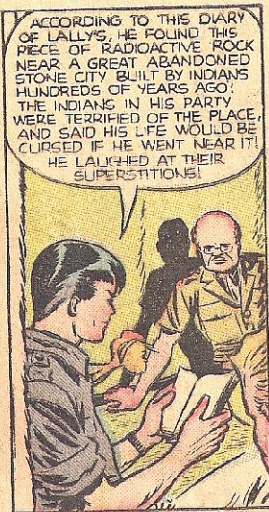
HE KNOWS YOU WANT TO HELP HIM, THOUGH!





WADA LANGIOME BANU-VARDAR WA!

THEY HAVE A HUT WHERE THEY WANT US TO SLEEP! SINCE WE WANT THEIR FRIENDSHIP, IT WOULD BE WISE TO ACCEPT THEIR OFFER! THEY WILL BE A GREAT HELP TO US!



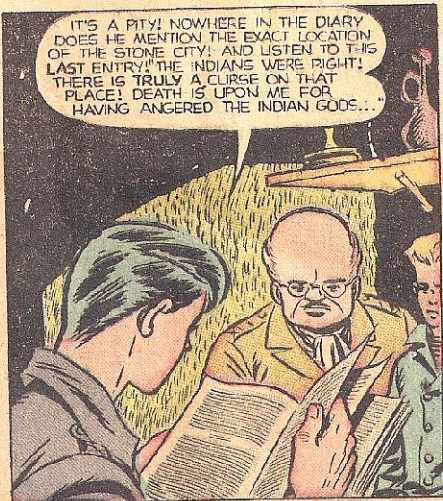
ACCORDING TO THIS DIARY OF LALLY'S, HE FOUND THIS PIECE OF RADIOACTIVE ROCK NEAR A GREAT ABANDONED STONE CITY BUILT BY INDIANS HUNDREDS OF YEARS AGO. THE INDIANS IN HIS PARTY WERE TERRIFIED OF THE PLACE, AND SAID HIS LIFE WOULD BE CURSED IF HE WENT NEAR IT! HE LAUGHED AT THEIR SUPERSTITIONS!



FROM THAT POINT ON, HIS ENTRIES ARE PRETTY SKETCHY—HE DENIED THE INDIAN GUIDES WHO ABANDONED HIM! THE FOUR OTHER MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY WERE FRIGHTENED, BUT THEY WENT WITH HIM—



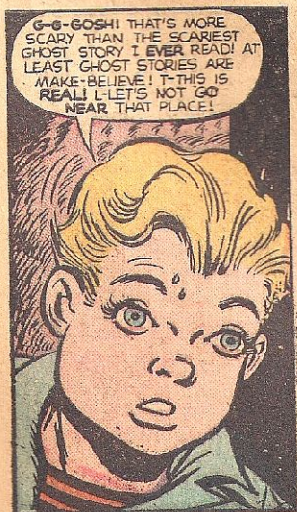
ONE DIED OF SNAKE BITE, A SECOND ONE WAS SHOT BY A POISONED ARROW OF A HOSTILE INDIAN TRIBE, AND THE OTHER TWO DIED ON THE LONG EXHAUSTING TRIP BACK TO CIVILIZATION!



IT'S A PITY! NOWHERE IN THE DIARY DOES HE MENTION THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE STONE CITY! AND LISTEN TO THIS LAST ENTRY! THE INDIANS WERE RIGHT! THERE IS TRULY A CURSE ON THAT PLACE! DEATH IS UPON ME FOR HAVING ANGERED THE INDIAN GODS...



"FOR THIS REASON I SHALL CARRY THE SECRET OF THE LOST CITY TO THE GRAVE WITH ME! I WISH TO SPARE ALL OTHERS THE AGONY I HAVE SUFFERED FOR HAVING VIOLATED THE WILL OF THE INDIAN GODS! LET NO MAN EVER VENTURE FORTH IN SEARCH OF THOSE DREADED RUINS!"



G-G-GOSH! THAT'S MORE SCARY THAN THE SCARIEST GHOST STORY I EVER READ! AT LEAST GHOST STORIES ARE MAKE-BELIEVE! THIS IS REAL! LET'S NOT GO NEAR THAT PLACE!



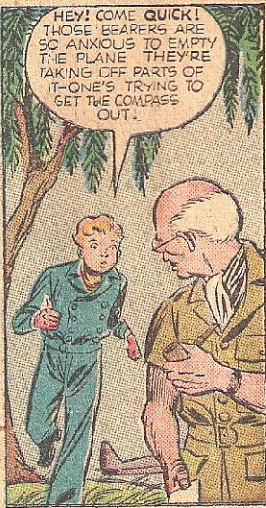
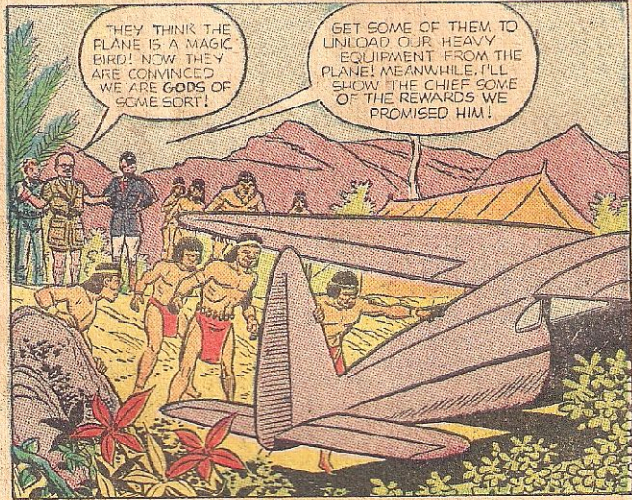
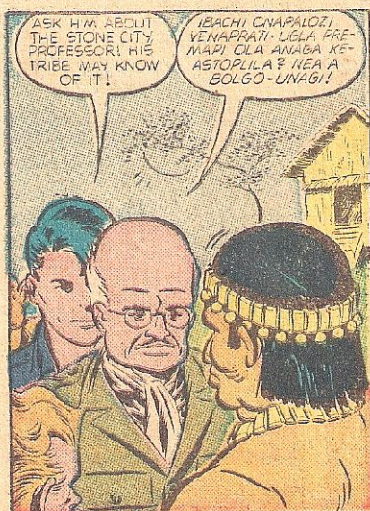
TAKE IT EASY, JULIUS! IT'S SILLY TO BE SUPERSTITIOUS! THERE'S A PERFECTLY LOGICAL EXPLANATION FOR EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENED! SINCE YOU'RE A MEMBER OF OUR EXPEDITION NOW, I MAY AS WELL TELL YOU THE TRUE PURPOSE OF OUR TRIP!



...AND SO YOU SEE, LALLY REALLY DIDN'T DIE BECAUSE OF A CURSE! HE ACTUALLY DIED OF A FORM OF RADIUM POISONING! WE'RE HERE TO FIND OUT THE SOURCE OF THAT RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL!

GOSH! ONLY WHAT'S TO KEEP IT FROM KILLING US?

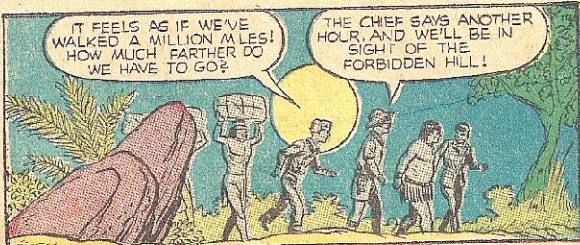
WE'RE PREPARED TO HANDLE IT SAFELY! NOW GO TO SLEEP! TOMORROW WILL BE A BUSY DAY!





HEH!
WHAT
ABOUT ME?
DON'T I GET
A REVOLVER,
TOO?

I SHOULD SAY NOT!
MOST OF THESE BULLETS
ARE BLANKS! I DON'T
LIKE USING A GUN UNLESS
I HAVE TO! THESE ARE
CHIEFLY TO SCARE
ANY TROUBLE AWAY!



IT FEELS AS IF WE'VE
WALKED A MILLION MILES!
HOW MUCH FARTHER DO
WE HAVE TO GO?

THE CHIEF SAYS ANOTHER
HOUR AND WE'LL BE IN
SIGHT OF THE
FORBIDDEN HILL!



I A DOJA IGA
BOLAG! NEA-A
DOMAS! UGLA
PAI!



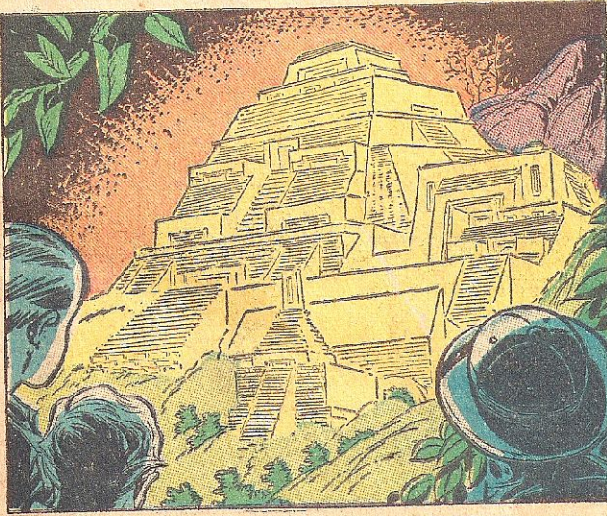
GOSH!
WHAT ARE THEY
PRAYING
FOR?

LOOK! THE
STONE CITY! LOOK
UP AHEAD! I
CAN'T BELIEVE
IT!

ALA-
LUNGA!

ALA-
LUNGA!

ALA-
LUNGA!



DADONA-
PEOLA-NEA
NOA!

HE SAYS THIS
IS AS FAR AS
THEY DARE GO!
THEY WILL WAIT
HERE FOR
US!



WE CAN'T HOPE TO FULLY
EXPLORE IT UNTIL DAYBREAK,
SO LET'S GO UP AS CLOSE AS
WE SAFELY CAN! AS SOON AS
MY GEIGER COUNTER BEGINS
TO REACT TOO MUCH FOR
SAFETY, WE'LL STOP!



WE'RE A LOT CLOSER THAN
I EVER DREAMED WE'D BE ABLE
TO GET! THERE'S A SLIGHT
REACTION FROM THE GEIGER
COUNTER— BUT NOT WHAT YOU'D
EXPECT! THOSE WALLS LOOK
AS IF THEY WERE ALIVE WITH
RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL!

ALA
BARA MACHU
HA DO GOV MA
ASTRA POLAM
DEAGA!



WHAT IS HE SAYING?

HE SAYS THAT THAT FIRE BACK IN THE JUNGLE IS THEIR VILLAGE! IT'S BEEN SET AFIRE! THEY SAY THEY MUST RETURN! A HOSTILE TRIBE HAS ATTACKED THEIR PEOPLE!



TELL THE CHIEF WE'LL GO BACK WITH THEM! THIS OTHER BUSINESS WILL HAVE TO WAIT! THEY'RE OUR FRIENDS!



HOW HORRIBLE! DID THEIR ENEMY KILL THE CHIEF'S PEOPLE?

NO! HE SAYS THEY HAVE ALL BEEN TAKEN CAPTIVE! THAT IS THE CUSTOM HERE! THIS ENEMY TRIBE MAKES SLAVES OF THEIR CAPTIVES—EXCEPT FOR THE LEADERS, WHOM THEY TORTURE TO DEATH!



HOI! HOI!

I DA BOSNA NAPOGI-MA BAA!

THE ENEMY! THE CHIEF SAYS TO FOLLOW HIM!



HE SAYS HE HAD THIS SECRET FORT BUILT ESPECIALLY FOR SUCH AN EMERGENCY!

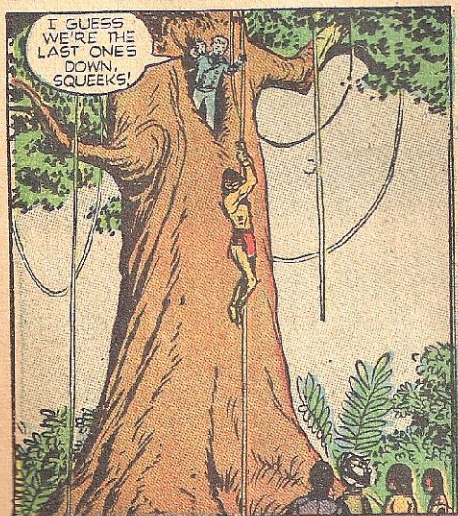


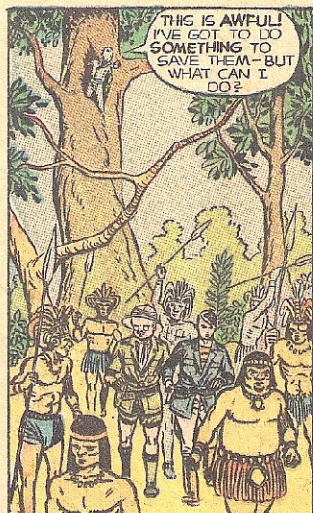
AMI-DAI-SA BOLSI NOA-GO!



WHEW! ONE MORE SECOND AND THEY'D HAVE HAD US! GEE, C.B., I'M SCARED!

DON'T WORRY, JULIE—THE CHIEF KNOWS WHAT HE'S DOING!





THIS IS AWFUL! I'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING TO SAVE THEM— BUT WHAT CAN I DO?



YOU KNOW ABOUT NATIVE CUSTOMS, PROFESSOR—WHAT HAPPENS TO US NOW?

YOUR GUESS IS GOOD AS MINE! WHATEVER IT IS, IT WON'T BE NICE— I'M PRETTY SURE OF THAT!

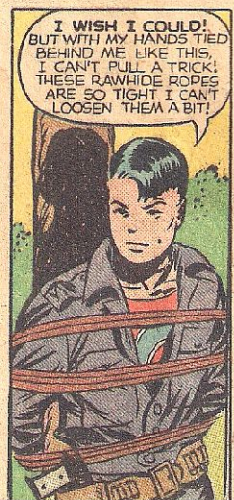


I WONDER WHAT WILL BECOME OF POOR JULIUS AND SQUEEKS! I PROMISED HIS MOTHER HE'D BE ALL RIGHT! I WISH WE HAD TURNED BACK!



AWANE-ALA PONAGI HENO-MAKI!

THE CHIEF SAYS SINCE WE'RE GREAT WHITE GODS, WHY DON'T WE MAKE MAGIC TO SAVE OURSELVES?



I WISH I COULD! BUT WITH MY HANDS TIED BEHIND ME LIKE THIS, I CAN'T PULL A TRICK; THESE RAWHIDE RODS ARE SO TIGHT I CAN'T LOOSEN THEM A BIT!



BE CAREFUL WITH THAT! THAT'S LIVE AMMUNITION!

TELL HIM IN HIS LANGUAGE!



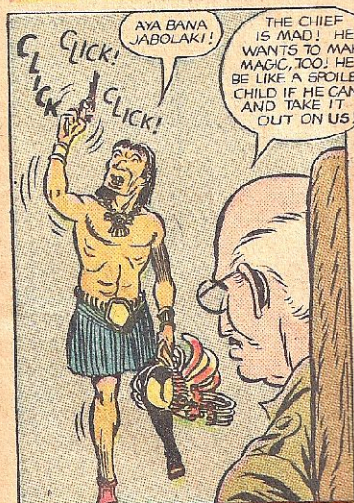
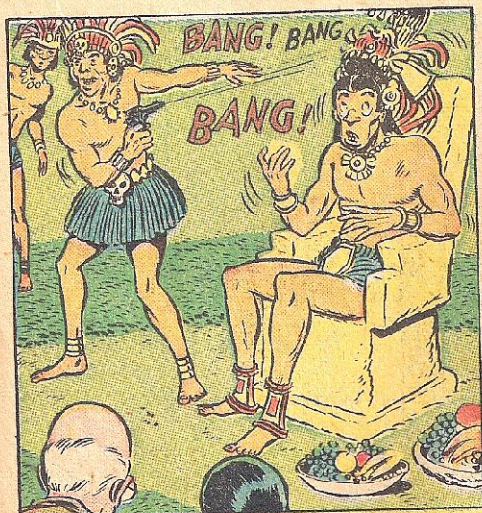
BANG

OOOPS! TOO LATE!



(AIVE A LA BACHI) HOBOLI!

IF HE EVER SHOOTS ONE OF THE TRIBE BY ACCIDENT WE WILL BE IN FOR A ROUGH TIME!



THE CHIEF IS MAD! HE WANTS TO MAKE MAGIC, TOO! HE'LL BE LIKE A SPOILED CHILD IF HE CAN'T AND TAKE IT OUT ON US!



HIYASI! NE A POLASI BANA UAS TOBA!

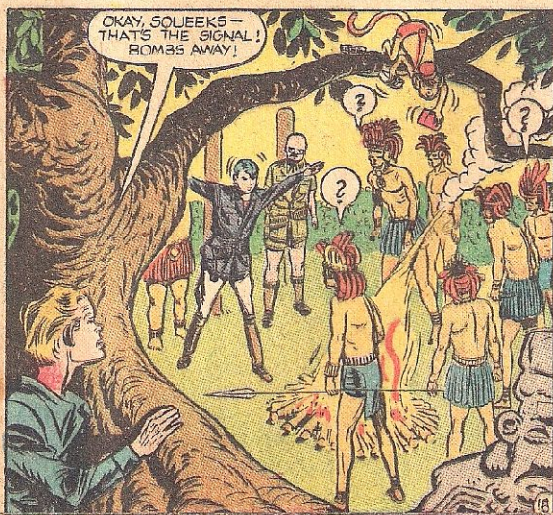


AYA BANA JAGOLKI! MI-HNA CABOWI YANA KUYA BOEONKI!



PSST... IT'S ME, JULIUS!

KEEP OUT OF SIGHT! DON'T LET THEM SEE YOU!





IT LOOKS AS IF IT'S WORKING, PROFESSOR—QUICK, WHILE IT'S STILL GOING ON, TELL THEM THAT UNLESS THEY RELEASE US AND LET ALL THE PRISONERS GO FREE, I'LL MAKE EVEN BIGGER MAGIC—ONE BIG BOOM THAT WILL MAKE EVERYTHING DISAPPEAR!



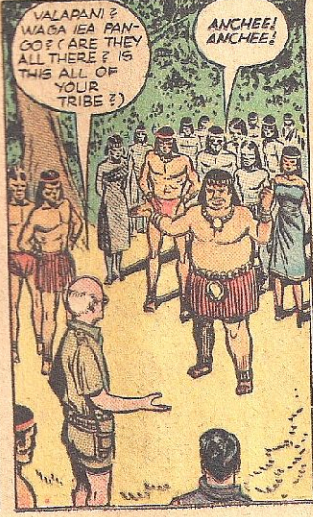
...ANNIGI—ALA PA ZAME—A BOOM VEIA BRANGO!!

NEA NOLA! A BREAMATI! ME NASTI POLASTOVA! AVA MAZTI!



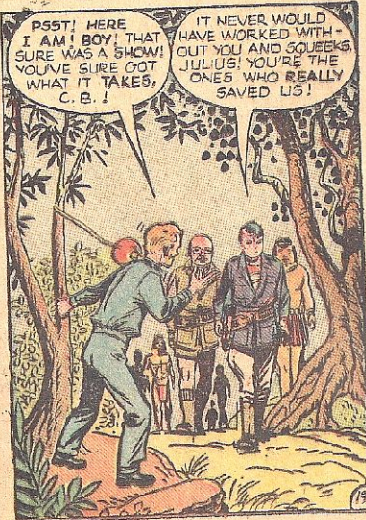
HE'LL DO WHATEVER YOU WANT! ALL HE BEGS IS THAT YOU STOP THE MAGIC!

LET HIM PROVE IT! TELL HIM TO RELEASE THE PRISONERS AND PROMISE NEVER TO MAKE WARFARE AGAINST ANY OTHER TRIBE AGAIN!



VALAPANI? WAGA IEA PANGOP? CARE THEY ALL THERE? IS THIS ALL OF YOUR TRIBE?

ANCHEE! ANCHEE!

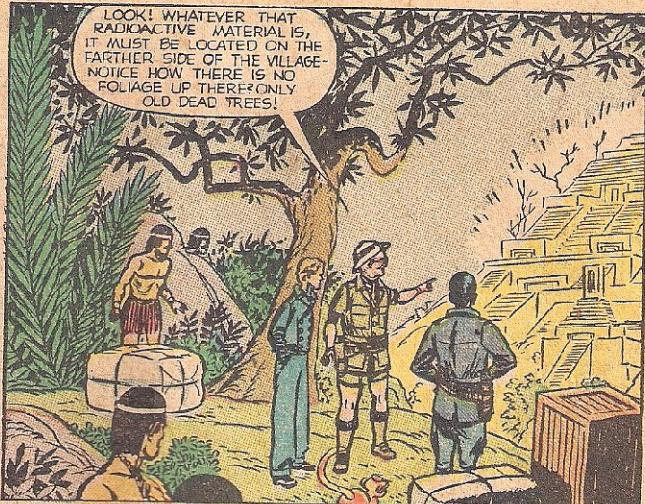


PSST! HERE I AM! BOY! THAT SURE WAS A SHOW! YOU'VE SURE GOT WHAT IT TAKES, C. B.!

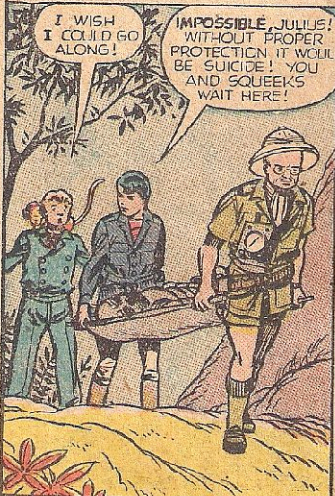
IT NEVER WOULD HAVE WORKED WITHOUT YOU AND SQUEEKS JULIUS! YOU'RE THE ONES WHO REALLY SAVED US!



I'M STILL SHAKING!
WHAT A NIGHT! LET'S
GET WHAT REST WE CAN!
TOMORROW WILL BE A
BIG DAY! I'VE TOLD THE
CHIEF WE WANT TO GET
BACK TO THE LOST
CITY EARLY IN THE
MORNING!



LOOK! WHATEVER THAT
RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL IS,
IT MUST BE LOCATED ON THE
FARTHER SIDE OF THE VILLAGE-
NOTICE HOW THERE IS NO
FOLIAGE UP THERE? ONLY
OLD DEAD TREES!



I WISH
I COULD GO
ALONG!

IMPOSSIBLE, JULIUS!
WITHOUT PROPER
PROTECTION IT WOULD
BE SUICIDE! YOU
AND SQUEEK!
WAIT HERE!



THESE OUTER BUILDINGS
ARE REASONABLY SAFE! THERE
IS SOME RADIOACTIVITY, BUT
NOT A DANGEROUS AMOUNT!
LET'S LOOK INSIDE THIS
BIG SQUARE BUILDING!



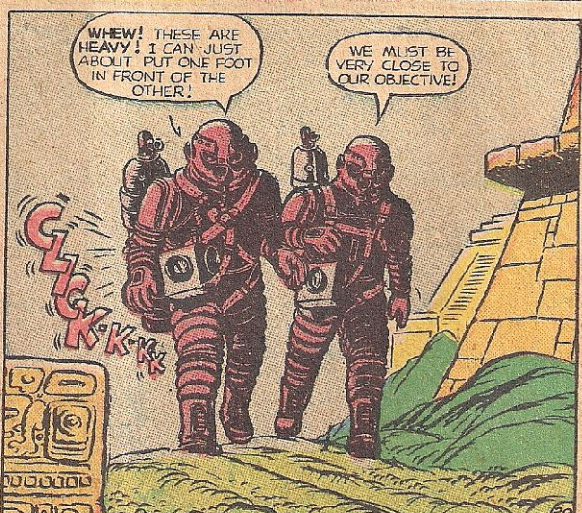
GOLLY! WHAT-
EVER HAPPENED
MUST HAVE BEEN
SO SUDDEN THAT
THEY WERE WIPED
OUT WITHOUT
WARNING!

FROM THE
CONDITION OF THE
BONES AND THE
GENERAL ASPECTS,
I'D GUESS WHATEVER
THE CATASTROPHE
WAS, IT OCCURRED
ABOUT 200 YEARS
AGO!



FROM HERE ON I'LL
BE DANGEROUS-WE NEED
THE PROTECTION OF THE
LEAD SUITS NOW!

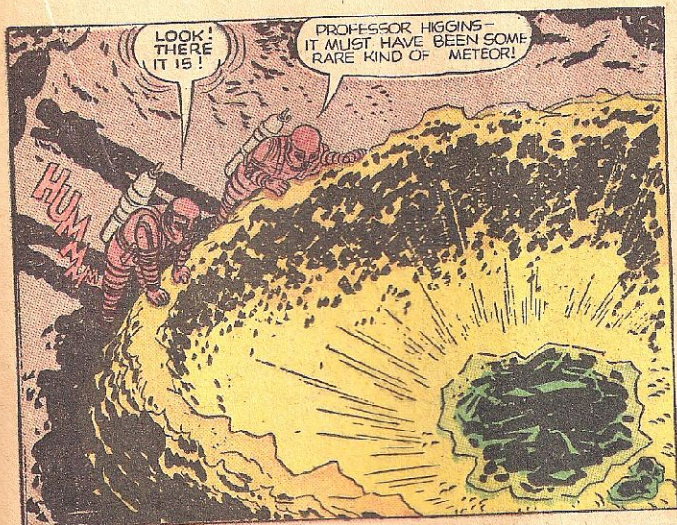
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK



WHUE! THESE ARE
HEAVY! I CAN JUST
ABOUT PUT ONE FOOT
IN FRONT OF THE
OTHER!

WE MUST BE
VERY CLOSE TO
OUR OBJECTIVE!

CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK



LOOK! THERE IT IS!

PROFESSOR HIGGINS - IT MUST HAVE BEEN SOME RARE KIND OF METEOR!



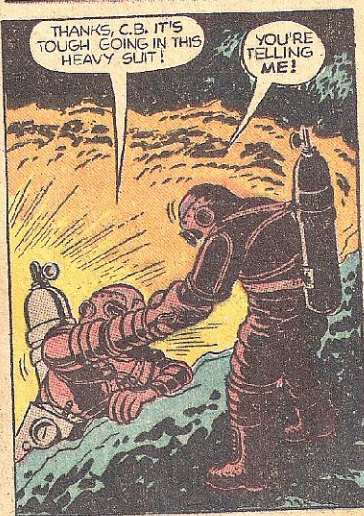
EXACTLY! THAT EXPLAINS EVERYTHING! IT LANDED HERE SEVERAL HUNDRED YEARS AGO! ITS RADIOACTIVITY WAS SO GREAT THAT IT KILLED OFF EVERY LIVING PERSON WITHIN THE STONE CITY AT THAT INSTANT! AND IT CHARGED THE STONE WALLS WITH SOME RARE FLUORESCENCE WHICH EXPLAINS THEIR BRILLIANCE AT NIGHT!



I'LL CHIP OFF A PIECE TO TAKE BACK IN THIS LEAD BOX TO PROVE OUR DISCOVERY! WE MUST HURRY! THESE LEAD SUITS MAY ONLY PROTECT US TEMPORARILY!



WHEW! NOW LET'S GET OUT OF HERE! THIS PLACE IS DYNAMITE! THAT GEIGER COUNTER IS GOING SO FAST ITS JUST ONE LONG STRING OF SOUND! THIS MAKES URANIUM LOOK LIKE NOTHING AT ALL!



THANKS, C.B. IT'S TOUGH GOING IN THIS HEAVY SUIT!

YOU'RE TELLING ME!



I WANT A PIECE OF THIS TO TAKE BACK! IF THE GOVERNMENT DOESN'T WANT IT, I CAN USE IT AS A SORT OF SUPER FLASH-LIGHT!

I'D JUDGE A PIECE THAT SIZE TO BE THE EQUIVALENT OF A POWERFUL STREET LIGHT! THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT DISCOVERY SINCE THE ATOM BOMB!



GOSHI AM I GLAD YOU'RE BACK! THE CHIEF AND HIS PALS HAVE BEEN SINGING A MOURNFULL DIRGE-EVER SINCE YOU LEFT! THEY NEVER EXPECTED TO SEE YOU ALIVE AGAIN! AND I HAD A HECK OF A TIME KEEPING SQUEEKS FROM FOLLOWING YOU! DID YOU FIND IT?

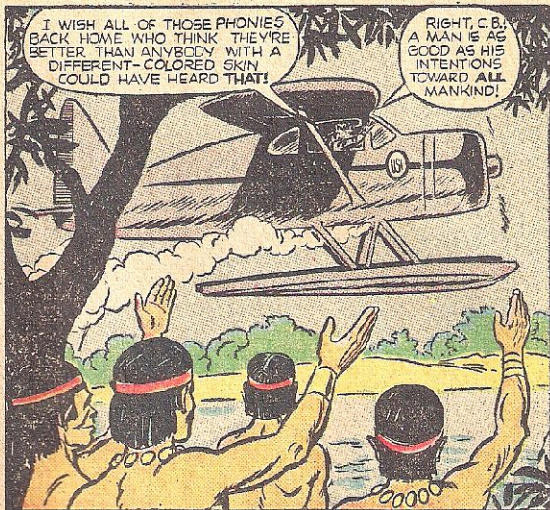
YES - GIR! HERE IT IS!



ULA MAPOCO SALIBA
FEROCHACIBA CHIM LA
CRINTELI PESORE A
LIGAKA GECHI!

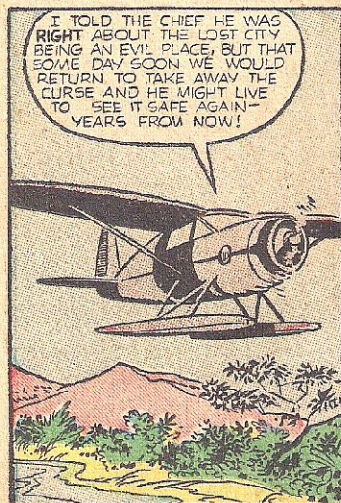
WHAT'S HE SAYING
NOW, PROFESSOR?

THAT WE ARE
THEIR BEST FRIENDS
EVEN THOUGH OUR
SKIN IS NOT A
PRETTY COLOR LIKE
THEIRS!

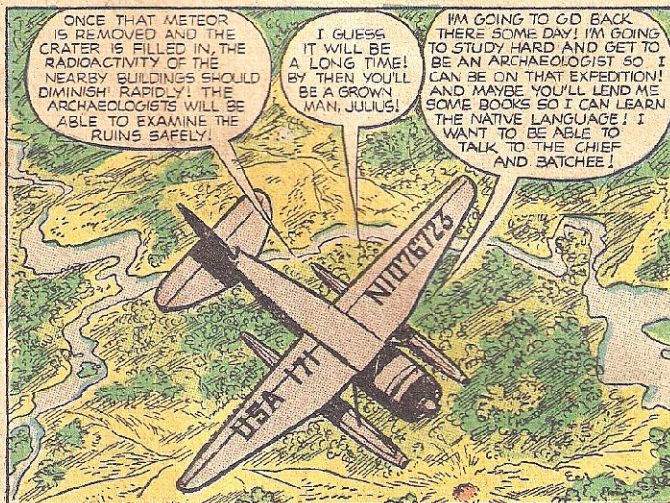


I WISH ALL OF THOSE PHONIES
BACK HOME WHO THINK THEY'RE
BETTER THAN ANYBODY WITH A
DIFFERENT-COLORED SKIN
COULD HAVE HEARD THAT!

RIGHT, C.B.,
A MAN IS AS
GOOD AS HIS
INTENTIONS
TOWARD ALL
MANKIND!



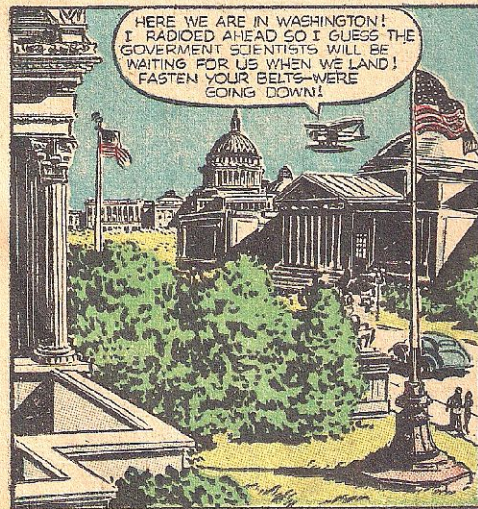
I TOLD THE CHIEF HE WAS
RIGHT ABOUT THE LOST CITY
BEING AN EVIL PLACE, BUT THAT
SOME DAY SOON WE WOULD
RETURN TO TAKE AWAY THE
CURSE AND HE MIGHT LIVE
TO SEE IT GONE AGAIN—
YEARS FROM NOW!



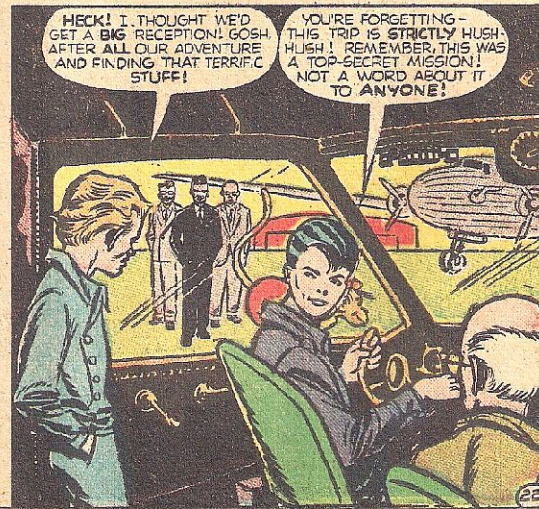
ONCE THAT METEOR
IS REMOVED AND THE
CRATER IS FILLED IN, THE
RADIOACTIVITY OF THE
NEARBY BUILDINGS SHOULD
DIMINISH RAPIDLY! THE
ARCHAEOLOGISTS WILL BE
ABLE TO EXAMINE THE
RUINS SAFELY!

I GUESS
IT WILL BE
A LONG TIME!
BY THEN YOU'LL
BE A GROWN
MAN, JULIUS!

I'M GOING TO GO BACK
THERE SOME DAY! I'M GOING
TO STUDY HARD AND GET TO
BE AN ARCHAEOLOGIST SO I
CAN BE ON THAT EXPEDITION!
AND MAYBE YOU'LL LEAD ME
SOME BOOKS SO I CAN LEARN
THE NATIVE LANGUAGE! I
WANT TO BE ABLE TO
TALK TO THE CHIEF
AND BATCHEE!

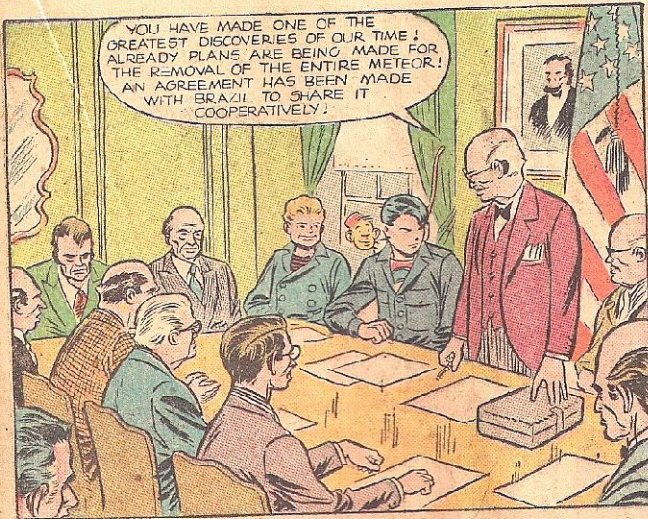


HERE WE ARE IN WASHINGTON!
I RADIOED AHEAD SO I GUESS THE
GOVERNMENT SCIENTISTS WILL BE
WAITING FOR US WHEN WE LAND!
FASTEN YOUR BELTS—WE'RE
GOING DOWN!

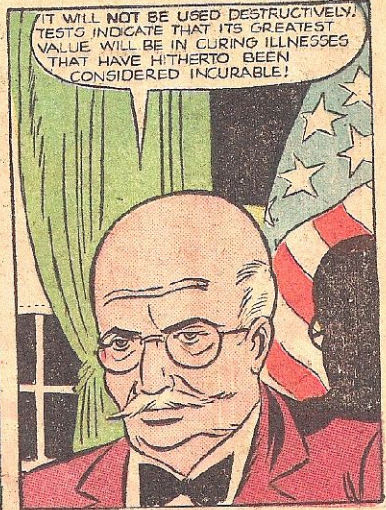


HECK! I THOUGHT WE'D
GET A BIG RECEPTION! GOSH
AFTER ALL OUR ADVENTURE
AND FINDING THAT TERRIFIC
STUFF!

YOU'RE FORGETTING—
THIS TRIP IS STRICTLY HUSH-
HUSH! REMEMBER, THIS WAS
A TOP-SECRET MISSION!
NOT A WORD ABOUT IT
TO ANYONE!



YOU HAVE MADE ONE OF THE GREATEST DISCOVERIES OF OUR TIME! ALREADY PLANS ARE BEING MADE FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE ENTIRE METEOR! AN AGREEMENT HAS BEEN MADE WITH BRAZIL TO SHARE IT COOPERATIVELY!



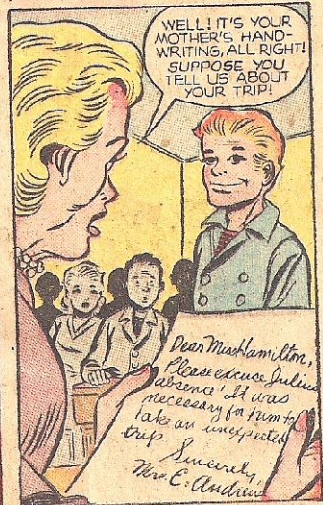
IT WILL NOT BE USED DESTRUCTIVELY. TESTS INDICATE THAT ITS GREATEST VALUE WILL BE IN CURING ILLNESSES THAT HAVE HITHERTO BEEN CONSIDERED INCURABLE!



IT MAY ALSO BE A GREAT NEW SOURCE OF LIGHT FOR CITIES AND AIRPORTS! BY EXPOSING CERTAIN MINERALS TO IT, THEY BECOME PERMANENTLY LIGHT-GIVING! IT WILL INCREASE SAFE DIVING AND FLYING IN THE NIGHT TO A DEGREE NEVER BEFORE POSSIBLE!

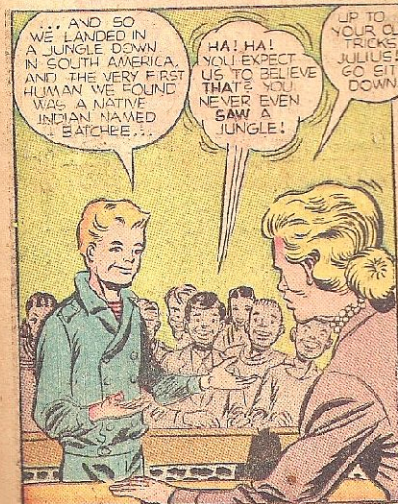


I REGRET THAT WE CANNOT GIVE YOU ANY TANGIBLE REWARD FOR YOUR SERVICES! EVEN A WRITTEN COMMENDATION MIGHT ENDANGER THIS DISCOVERY! THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TRIP MUST REMAIN A SECRET! HOWEVER, THE GOVERNMENT IS FOREVER INDEBTED TO YOU FOR THE GREAT SERVICE YOU HAVE PERFORMED!



WELL! IT'S YOUR MOTHER'S HAND-WRITING, ALL RIGHT! SUPPOSE YOU TELL US ABOUT YOUR TRIP!

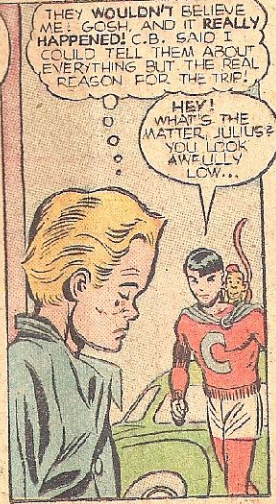
Dear Mr. Hamilton,
Please excuse Julia Adams. It was necessary for her to take an unexpected trip.
Sincerely,
Mrs. C. Andrews



... AND SO WE LANDED IN A JUNGLE DOWN IN SOUTH AMERICA, AND THE VERY FIRST HUMAN WE FOUND WAS A NATIVE INDIAN NAMED BATEE...

HA! HA! YOU EXPECT US TO BELIEVE THAT? YOU NEVER EVEN SAW A JUNGLE!

UP TO YOUR OLD TRICKS, JULIUS! GO SIT DOWN!



THEY WOULDN'T BELIEVE ME! GOSH, AND IT REALLY HAPPENED! C.B. SAID I COULD TELL THEM ABOUT EVERYTHING BUT THE REAL REASON FOR THE TRIP!

HEY! WHAT'S THE MATTER, JULIUS? YOU LOOK AWFULLY AWFULLY LOW...



I TOLD THE CLASS ALL ABOUT IT. BUT HONESTLY, THEY NEVER LET ME FINISH! THEY LAUGHED AT ME!

THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'VE TOLD SO MANY LIES BEFORE! NOW I'M SURE YOU'VE LEARNED A LESSON! THE BEST WAY TO IMPRESS PEOPLE IS BY YOUR HONESTY! REALLY BIG PEOPLE DON'T HAVE TO BOAST! OTHERS DO IT FOR THEM!

THE END

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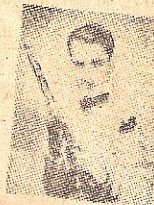
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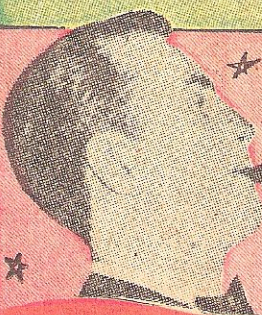
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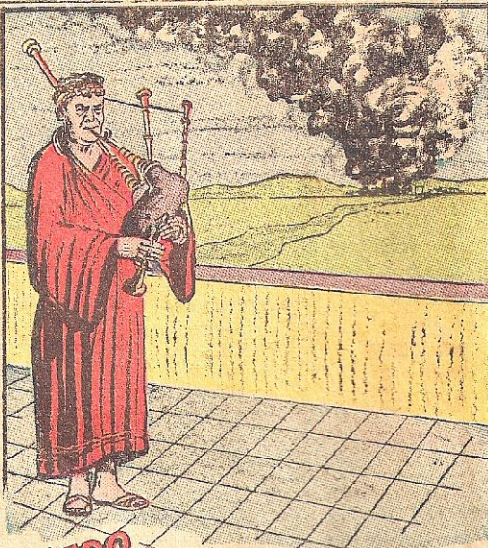
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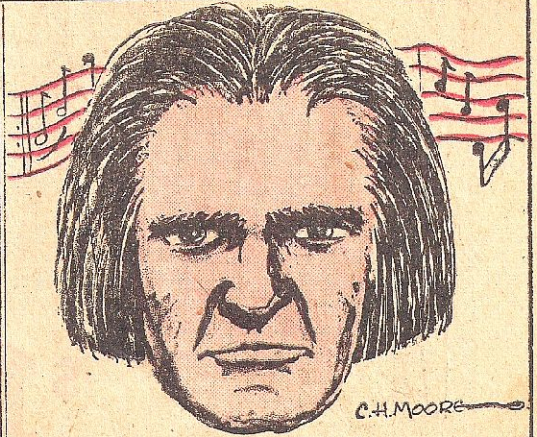
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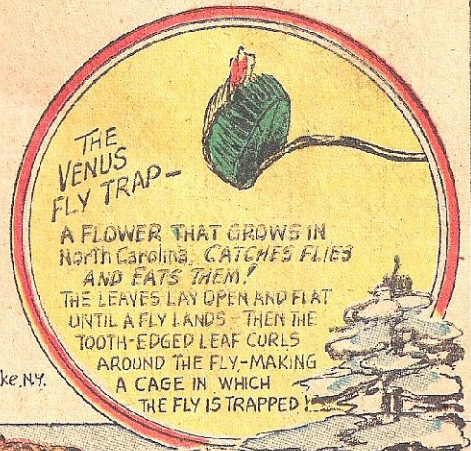
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FORSELL
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A ROAD SIGN OBSERVED NEAR Topper Lake, N.Y.
BY VEE BANFORD



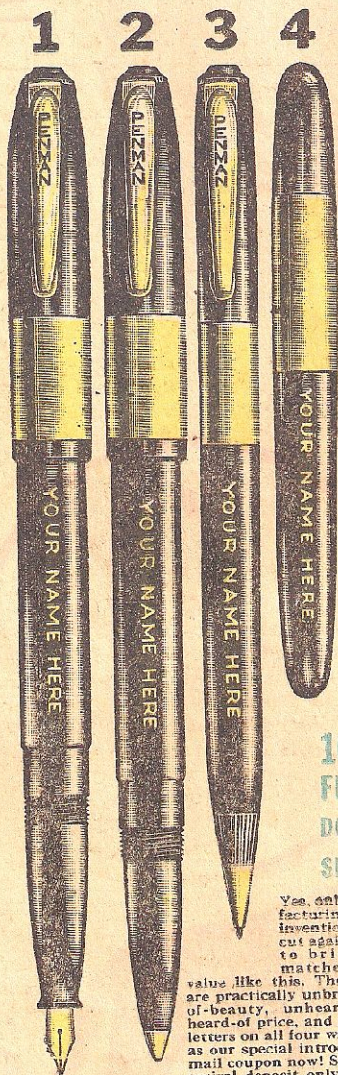
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CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

The boys around my neighborhood have formed a club which is comprised of three parts: Daredevils, Crimebusters, and a group called Crime Does Not Pay. During the summer each part of the club plays each other in sports. Dues are ten cents a month, and with this money we buy **BOY**, **DAREDEVIL**, and **CRIME DOES NOT PAY**. We call it the **THREE BOOK CLUB**.

John J. Brala's, President
5136 Argyle
Dearborn, Mich.

Perhaps it is somewhat unusual for a parent to write a thank-you letter for a prize a youngster has won, but in this case, my writing to you is an absolute "must". Imagine our delight and surprise when Tony, 11, received Mr. Sidney Elias' letter, informing him that he had won first prize in the **LEV GLEASON COMIC GROUP STAMP PAGE** Contest. Tony is an ardent stamp collector, and you have no idea what a new incentive in collecting the beautiful Scott International Album is giving him. Tony and I both wish to express our sincere thanks for the opportunity the **LEV GLEASON COMIC GROUP** has given him. Your Stamp Page is a great source of interest to him and his fellow-hobbyists.

Mrs. Joseph L. Saltzman
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I'm an ardent C. B. fan, mainly for the reasons that the illustrations are so wonderful, but mostly because the stories are told in a way that makes sense. Whenever I buy a magazine it has to say **Lev Gleason Publisher, Charles Biro and Bob Wood, Editors, across the front. Keep up the good work!**

R. E. Goodwin
5 Henry Ave.
Sanford, Maine

I am a nurse who is writing to say that your wonderful magazine **BOY** has been a great help in providing entertaining reading material for my patients. The youngsters in the children's ward eagerly look forward to reading each issue.

E. P.
Heaton Hospital
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While in the Veterans' Hospital at Wadsworth, Kansas, I happened across a copy of **BOY Comics** for the first time, and found the stories extremely interesting and educational. I then suggested to my wife that she buy it for our son, and he's been an avid reader ever since. You're really doing a swell job.

H. D. Crabtree
719 E. 48th St.
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I think I am the first Austrian to praise your **BOY Comics**. Over here comics are very rare, but I read **BOY** every chance I get. Many of the American boys in Vienna have copies, and it's a favorite with them, too. I am 15 years old and speak English very well.

Werner Filek
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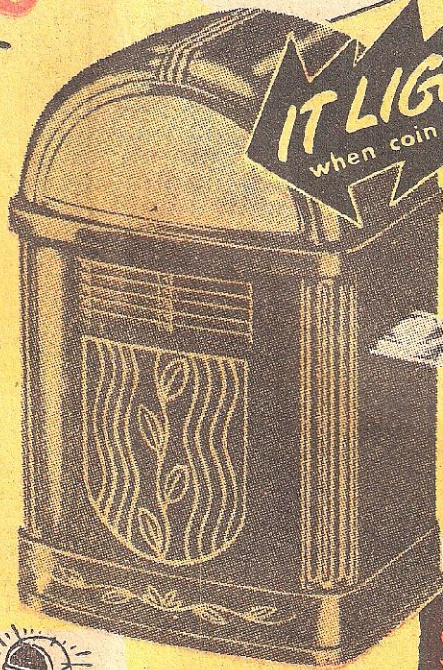
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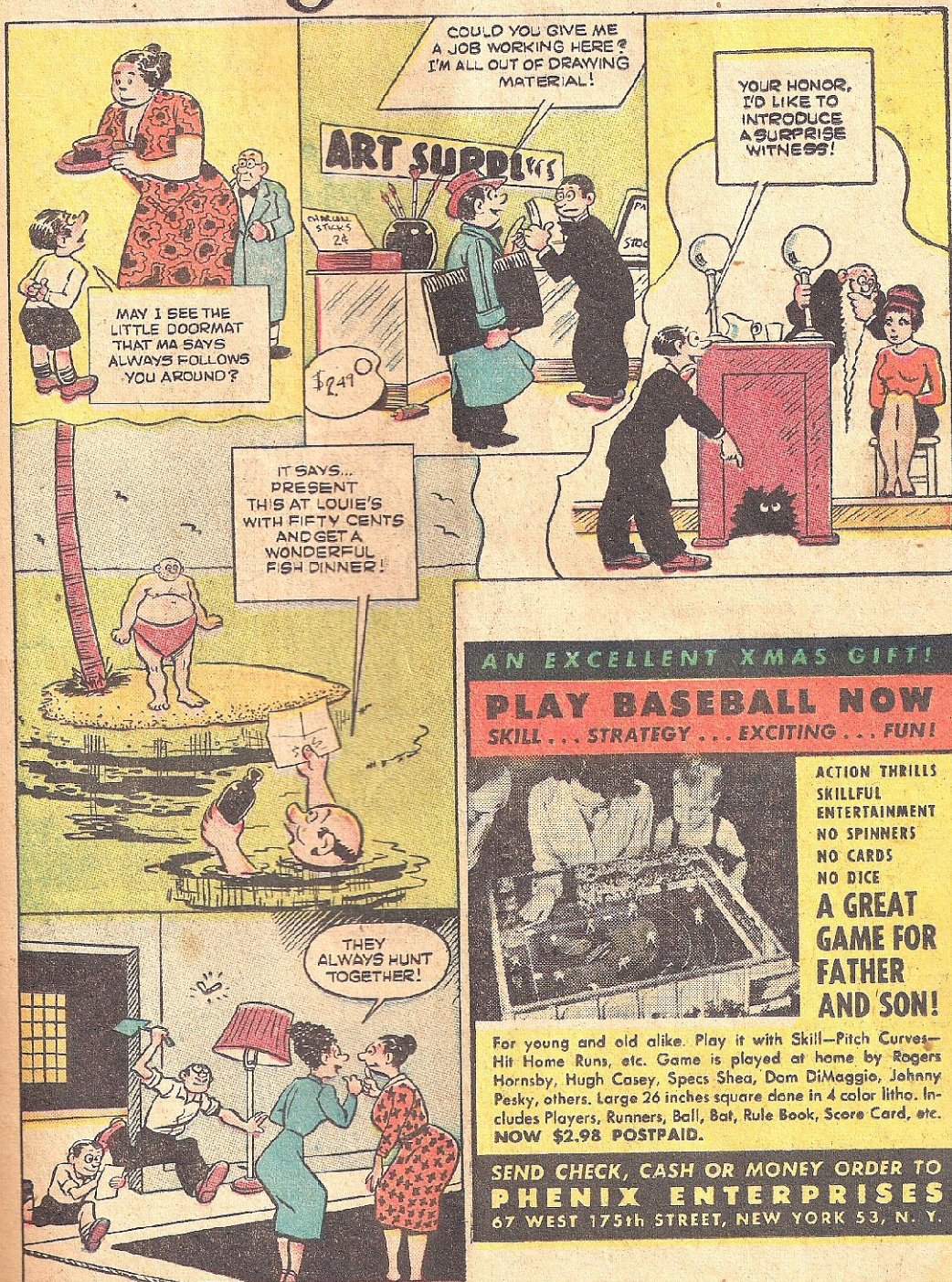
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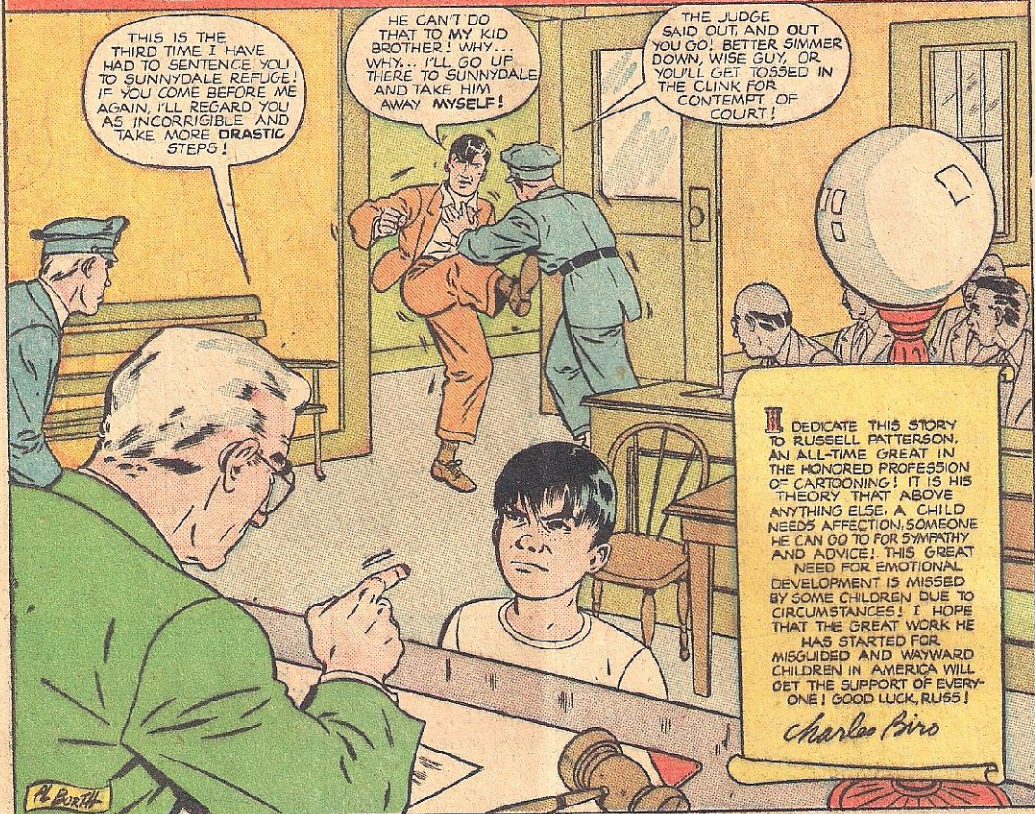
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HE CAN'T DO THAT TO MY KID BROTHER! WHY... WHY... I'LL GO UP THERE TO SUNNYDALE AND TAKE HIM AWAY MYSELF!

THE JUDGE SAID OUT AND OUT YOU GO! BETTER SIMMER DOWN, WISE GUY, OR YOU'LL GET TOSSED IN THE CLINK FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT!

I DEDICATE THIS STORY TO RUSSELL PATTERSON, AN ALL-TIME GREAT IN THE HONORED PROFESSION OF CARTOONING! IT IS HIS THEORY THAT ABOVE ANYTHING ELSE, A CHILD NEEDS AFFECTION, SOMEONE HE CAN GO TO FOR SYMPATHY AND ADVICE! THIS GREAT NEED FOR EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT IS MISSED BY SOME CHILDREN DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES! I HOPE THAT THE GREAT WORK HE HAS STARTED FOR MISGUIDED AND WAYWARD CHILDREN IN AMERICA WILL GET THE SUPPORT OF EVERYONE! GOOD LUCK, RUSS!

Charles Biro



BRING ME THE FOUNDATION'S SEMI-ANNUAL CHECK FOR SUNNYDALE REFUGE, MISS LEE!

VERY WELL, MR. EMERY! I'LL HAVE IT FOR YOUR SIGNATURE IN A FEW MINUTES!



FRANKLY, MRS. PONSBNBY, THE BOARD ISN'T PLEASED WITH YOUR ADMINISTRATION OF THE SUNNYDALE REFUGE FOR BOYS! YOUR RECORD OF RETURNED DELINQUENTS IS GREATER THAN THAT OF ANY SIMILAR INSTITUTION IN THE STATE!

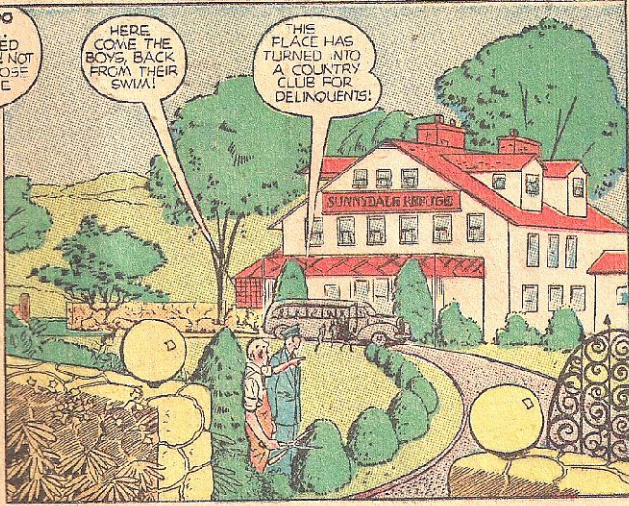
HOW UTTERLY RIDICULOUS! I USE THE MOST ADVANCED METHODS! BUT I EXPECTED THIS!

MRACE! SHOW MR. EMERY OUR OWN RECORDS!



I AM NOT DISPUTING YOUR RECORDS, BUT I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT THE STATES REPORTS ARE ABSOLUTELY IMPARTIAL, AND THE FOUNDATION IS GUIDED BY THEM! YOUR SCHOOL'S ALLOTMENT HAS BEEN CUT \$50,000, AND UNLESS YOU SHOW SOME IMPROVEMENT, IT WILL BE WITHDRAWN ALTOGETHER!

Y-Y-YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO US, MR. EMMERY! WE NEED MORE MONEY! NOT LESS! WHY THOSE BOYS EAT LIKE WOLVES!



HERE, COME THE BOYS, BACK FROM THEIR SWIM!

THIS PLACE HAS TURNED INTO A COUNTRY CLUB FOR DELINQUENTS!



TAKE IT EASY, BOYS! NO SCOUGH-HOUSE!

STEVENS! YOU STINK! MISER-YOU WOULDN'T GIVE ME A PIECE OF GUM!

IT WAS THE LAST P...



GEE, SCOTTY, YOU'D BETTER WATCH OUT! IF THE DRIVER REPORTS THAT YOU WON'T BE ALLOWED IN THE MOVIE TONIGHT!

WHAT DO I CARE ABOUT THE OLD MOVIE! I'LL LISTEN TO THE RADIO IN MY ROOM! NOBODY TELLS ME WHAT TO DO AROUND HERE! - EVEN YOU, BUTCH! COME ON, LET'S TAKE A WALK!



BUTCH, THEY'RE GONNA SPRING ME TOMORROW... THEY'RE GONNA SEND ME HOME AND I DON'T WANNA GO! I LIKE IT HERE!

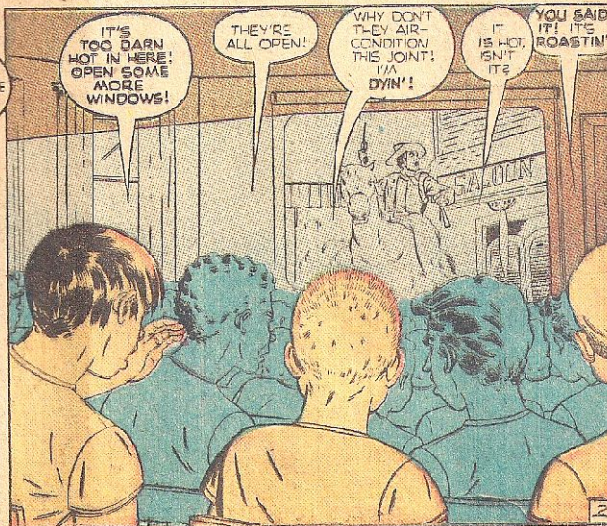
YEAH, I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL, SCOTTY--LOOK, MAYBE YOU COULD DO SOMETHING REAL BAD AND OLD PONSOR'D HOLD YOU OVER FOR ANOTHER SIX MONTHS! WAIT! I GOT AN IDEA FOR TONIGHT AT THE MOVIE! I'LL GET A BIG LALGH, TOO!



GO RIGHT N, BOYS! SIT ANYWHERE YOU WISH! YOU'LL JUST LOVE THE MOVIE TONIGHT!

I GUESS THE DRIVER DIDN'T REPORT ME FOR KICKING STEVENS!

JUST REMEMBER WHAT YOU'RE GONNA SAY!



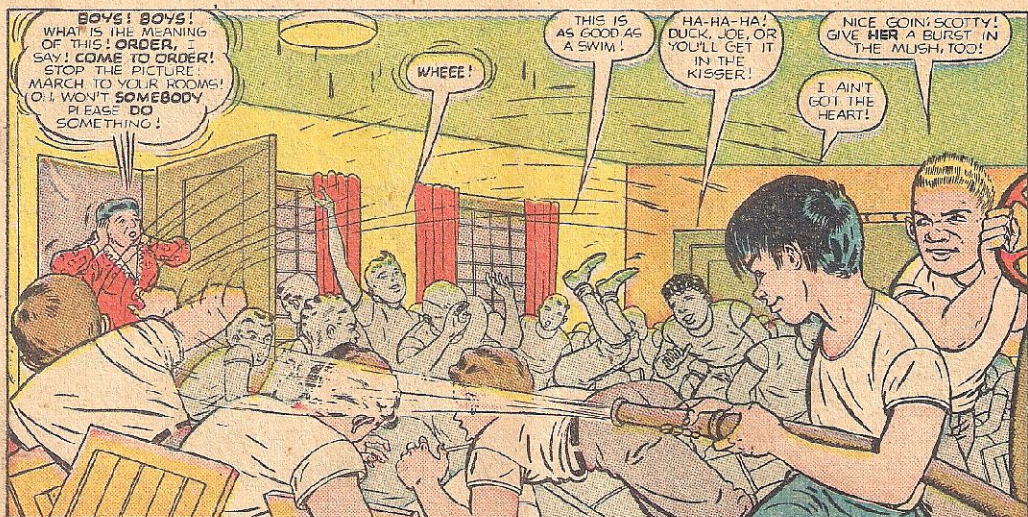
IT'S TOO DARN HOT IN HERE! OPEN SOME MORE WINDOWS!

THEY'RE ALL OPEN!

WHY DON'T THEY AIR-CONDITION THE JOINT!

IT IS HOT, ISN'T IT?

YOU SAID IT! IT'S ROASTIN'!



BOYS! BOYS!
WHAT IS THE MEANING
OF THIS! ORDER,
I SAY! COME TO ORDER!
STOP THE PICTURE
MARCH TO YOUR ROOMS!
O! I WON'T SOMEBODY
PLEASE DO
SOMETHING!

WHEEE!

THIS IS
AS GOOD AS
A SWIM!

HA-HA-HA!
DUCK, JOE, OR
YOU'LL GET IT
IN THE
KISSER!

NICE GOING SCOTTY!
GIVE HER A BURST IN
THE MUSH, TOO!

I AIN'T
GOT THE
HEART!



NOW GO TO YOUR
ROOM, YOU BAD, BAD
BOY! I'LL DEAL WITH
YOU IN THE
MORNING!



THERE GOES
THE BREAKFAST
GONG!

O KAY!
O KAY!

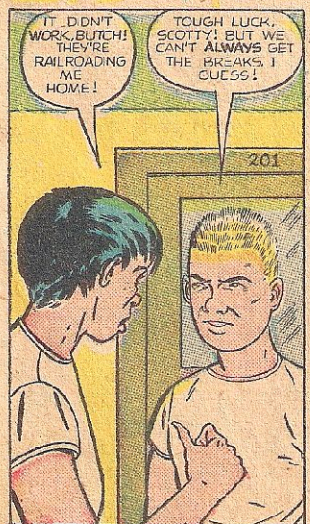
BOYS!
BOYS!

MRS. PONGBY
WANTS TO SEE YOU
IN HER OFFICE RIGHT
AFTER BREAKFAST,
SCOTTY!



I WAS VERY ANGRY WITH YOU
LAST NIGHT, YOUNG MAN! ACTUALLY
I WAS AT THE POINT OF CANCELLING
YOUR RELEASE! THEN I REALIZED
WHAT IT WOULD MEAN TO YOU TO GO
HOME TODAY, AND I RECONSIDERED!
YOU WILL LEAVE ON THE TEN-THIRTY
BUS AS SCHEDULED!

AW,
NUTS!



IT DIDN'T
WORK, BUTCH!
THEY'RE
RAILROADING
ME HOME!

TOUGH LUCK,
SCOTTY! BUT WE
CAN'T ALWAYS GET
THE BREAKS I
GUESS!

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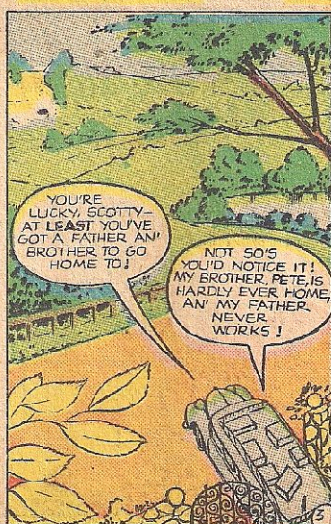


S'LONG, FUNKS!
I'LL BE BACK! THEY
CAN'T GET RID OF ME
AS EASY AS THIS! BE-
SIDES, THERE'S STILL
A LOU'Z A YOU!
GUYS I GOTTA
LICK!

BYE,
SCOTTY!

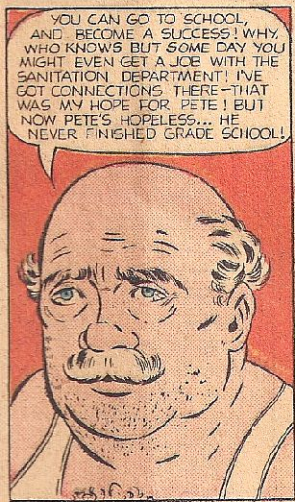
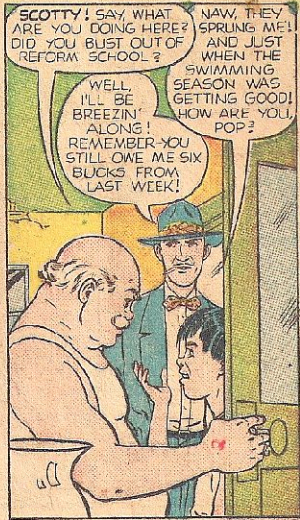
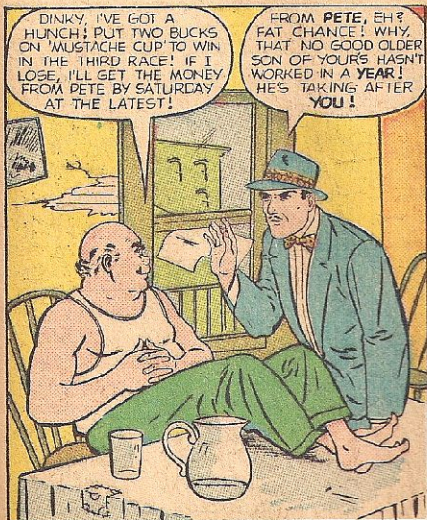
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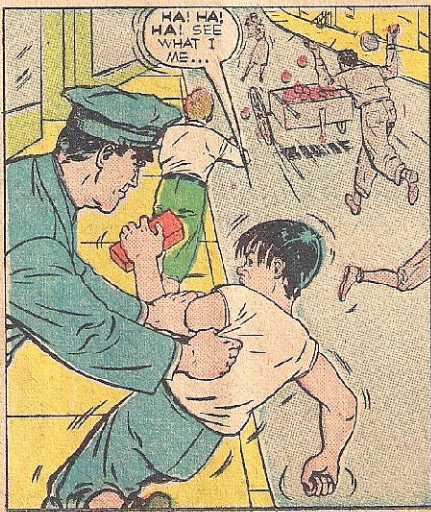
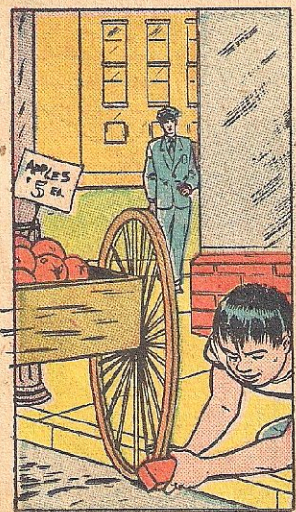
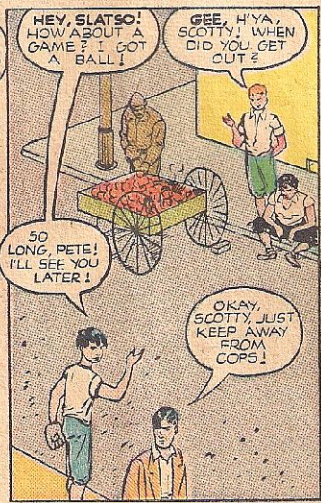
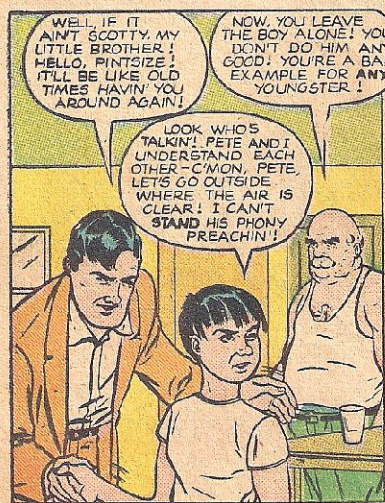
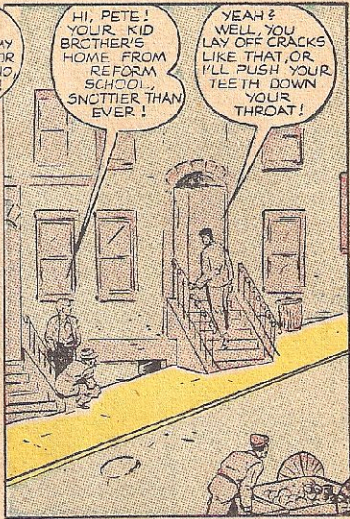
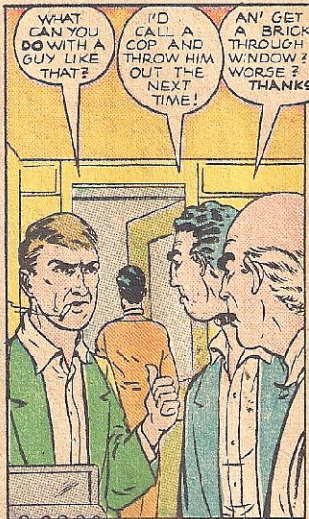
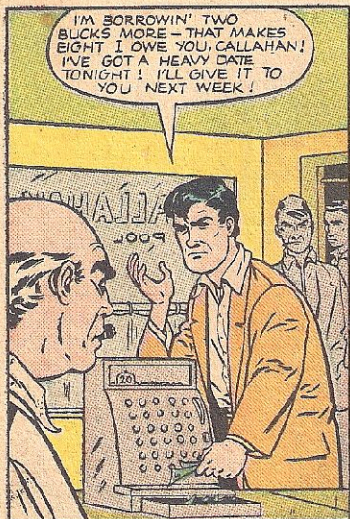
SIX KIDS ARE BEING
RE-FASS! AND SENT
HOME TODAY AND ALL
OF THEM ARE MORE
INCORRIGIBLE THAN
WHEN THEY
ARRIVED!

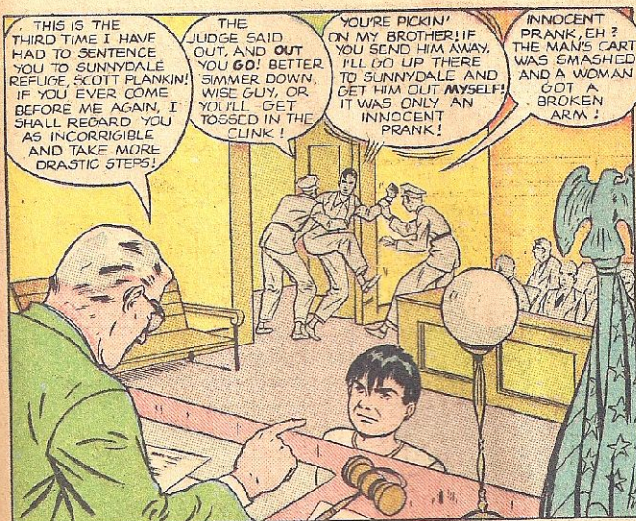


YOU'RE
LUCKY, SCOTTY!
AT LEAST YOU'VE
GOT A FATHER AN'
BROTHER TO GO
HOME TO!

NOT SO'S
YOU'D NOTICE IT!
MY BROTHER, PETE, IS
HARDLY EVER HOME
AN' MY FATHER,
NEVER
WORKS!





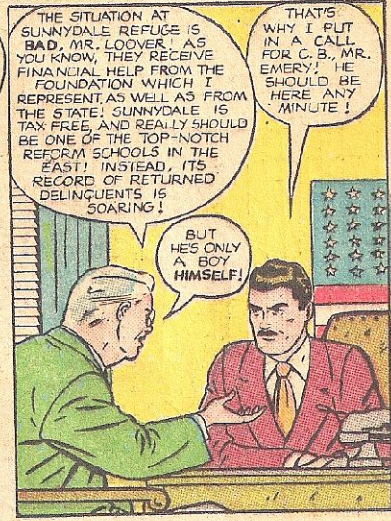


THIS IS THE THIRD TIME I HAVE HAD TO SENTENCE YOU TO SUNNYDALE REFUGE, SCOTT FLANKIN! IF YOU EVER COME BEFORE ME AGAIN, I SHALL REGARD YOU AS INCORRIGIBLE AND TAKE MORE DRASTIC STEPS!

THE JUDGE SAID OUT, AND OUT YOU GO! BETTER STRAPE DOWN, WISE GUY, OR YOU'LL GET TOSSED IN THE CLINK!

YOU'RE PICKIN' ON MY BROTHER! IF YOU SEND HIM AWAY, I'LL GO UP THERE TO SUNNYDALE AND GET HIM OUT MYSELF! IT WAS ONLY AN INNOCENT PRANK!

INNOCENT PRANK, EH? THE MAVS CART WAS SMASHED AND A WOMAN GOT A BROKEN ARM!



THE SITUATION AT SUNNYDALE REFUGE IS BAD, MR. LOOVER. AS YOU KNOW, THEY RECEIVE FINANCIAL HELP FROM THE FOUNDATION WHICH I REPRESENT, AS WELL AS FROM THE STATE. SUNNYDALE IS TAX FREE, AND REALLY SHOULD BE ONE OF THE TOP-NOTCH REFORM SCHOOLS IN THE EAST! INSTEAD, ITS RECORD OF RETURNED DELINQUENTS IS SOARING!

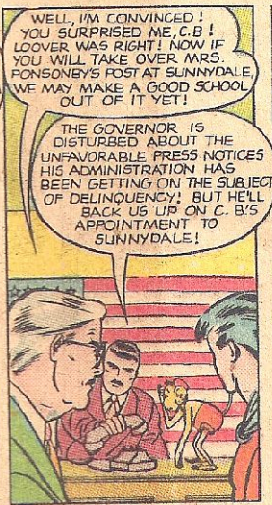
THAT'S WHY I PUT IN A CALL FOR C. B. MR. EMERY, HE SHOULD BE HERE ANY MINUTE!

BUT HE'S ONLY A BOY HIMSELF!



YOU MAY THINK C. B. A LITTLE YOUNG TO BE CALLED IN ON A MATTER LIKE THIS, MR. EMERY, BUT DON'T UNDERESTIMATE HIM! BEING A BOY HIMSELF, HE UNDERSTANDS BOYS' PROBLEMS A LOT BETTER THAN WE DO!

GLAD TO KNOW YOU, C. B. LET'S SIT DOWN AND REVIEW THE SITUATION—MAYBE WE CAN FIND A SOLUTION! THE PROBLEM SEEMS TO BE ENTIRELY ONE OF MANAGEMENT!



WELL, I'M CONVINCED! YOU SURPRISED ME, C. B. LOOVER WAS RIGHT! NOW IF YOU WILL TAKE OVER MRS. PONSOMBYS POST AT SUNNYDALE, WE MAY MAKE A GOOD SCHOOL OUT OF IT YET!

THE GOVERNOR IS DISTURBED ABOUT THE UNFAVORABLE PRESS NOTICES HIS ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN GETTING ON THE SUBJECT OF DELINQUENCY! BUT HE'LL BACK US UP ON C. B.'S APPOINTMENT TO SUNNYDALE!



MRS. PONSOMBY LEFT THIS MORNING! SHE WAS HIGHLY INDIGNANT! HER PAMPERING REGIME IS OVER! THOSE TRUCKS ARE TAKING AWAY THE UNNECESSARY LUXURIES! THE ONES COMING IN ARE BRINGING PRINTING PRESSES, WOOD-TURNING EQUIPMENT, DRAWING INSTRUMENTS AND LEATHER-WORKING TOOLS! IF I KNOW BOYS, THEY'RE GOING TO ENJOY WORK AS WELL AS PLAY!



THERE GO THE POOL TABLES AND THE TELEVISION SET! THEY CAN'T DO THAT TO US! WE GOTTA RAISE A GOUAWK! WE'LL GO ON A SIT-DOWN STRIKE... OR... OR... A HUNGER STRIKE... OR... OR...

GEE, SCOTTY, NOT A HUNGER STRIKE! NOT WITH MY APPETITE!

ASSEMBLY CALL IN FIFTEEN MINUTES!

HEY, OUY'S, THAT'S C. B. OUT THERE! WHAT DO YOU KNOW! GOSH, MAYBE HE'S TAKING OVER!



THINGS ARE HAPPENIN' FAST AROUND HERE! WHAT'S UP NOW?

PONSOMBYS OUT! SOMEBODY SAID C. B. IS TAKIN' OVER!

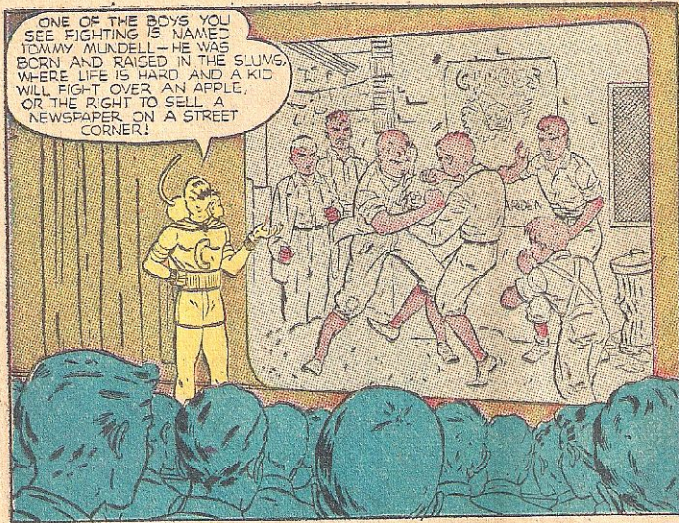
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? ARE THEY GONNA GET TOUGH WITH US?

DIDJA SEE SQUEEKS? GOSH, I'D LIKE TO OWN A MONKEY LIKE THAT!



AS MR. LOOVER HAS TOLD YOU, FELLOWS, I AM YOUR NEW SUPER-INFLUENT, TEMPORARILY, AT LEAST! THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME CHANGES! BUT BEFORE WE GO INTO THAT, I WANT TO SHOW YOU A MOVIE THAT MADE A GREAT IMPRESSION ON ME! AFTER YOU HAVE SEEN IT, YOU MAY WANT TO DECIDE A FEW THINGS FOR YOURSELVES!

OH, BOY, MACHES! I HOPE IT'S GOT A LOT OF SHOOTIN'!



ONE OF THE BOYS YOU SEE FIGHTING IS NAMED TOMMY MUNDELL - HE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN THE SLUMS, WHERE LIFE IS HARD AND A KID WILL FIGHT OVER AN APPLE, OR THE RIGHT TO SELL A NEWSPAPER ON A STREET CORNER!



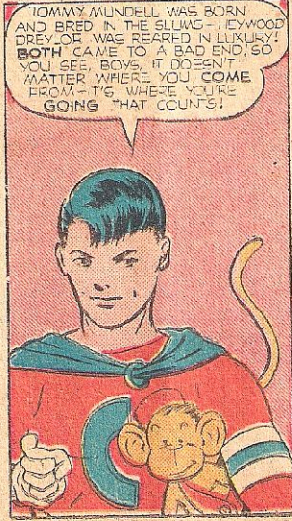
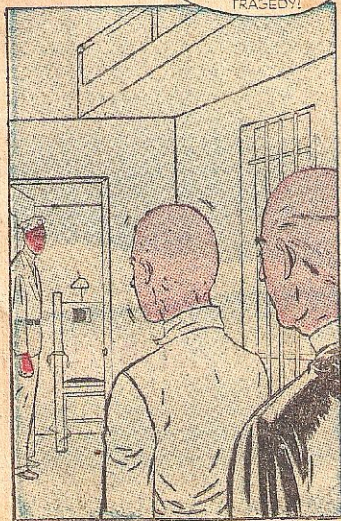
...AT THE SAME TIME IN ANOTHER PART OF TOWN - A WEALTHY NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE NOBODY WANTED FOR ANYTHING AND LIFE WAS SOFT - A SPOILED, RICH BOY, HEYWOOD DREYLOF, OF THE SAME AGE AS TOMMY MUNDELL, WAS STAGING A ROW OF HIS OWN! HIS MOTHER HAD GIVEN HIM A DOLLAR - HE WANTED TEN! HE GOT TEN!



THESE BOYS GREW UP, EACH IN HIS OWN WAY - EACH BELIEVING HIMSELF SUPERIOR TO OTHER PEOPLE - ONE BECAUSE OF HIS FISTE, THE OTHER BECAUSE OF HIS FATHER'S WEALTH. IT ENDED UP THREW THEM TOGETHER AT THE RACE TRACK, BOTH WERE LOOKING FOR EASY MONEY. HEYWOOD'S FATHER HAD CUT OFF HIS ALLOWANCE, AND NEITHER HEYWOOD NOR TOMMY WANTED TO WORK, SO THEY TEAMED UP! THAT WAS THE BEGINNING OF TRAGEDY!



"THEIR'S WAS A CRIMINAL PARTNERSHIP, HIGHLIGHTED BY ROBBERIES AND HOLDUPS, AND IT WATELY, MURDER! IT COULD HAVE BUT ONE ENDING. THIS WAS IT! AND THEY PAID THE PENALTY BY WALKING THE LAST MILE TOGETHER!"



TOMMY MUNDELL WAS BORN AND BRED IN THE SLUMS - HEYWOOD DREYLOF WAS REARED IN LUKLUKY. BOTH CAME TO A BAD END, SO YOU SEE, BOYS, IT DOESN'T MATTER WHERE YOU COME FROM - IT'S WHERE YOU'RE GOING THAT COUNTS!



WHERE IS HE? WHERE'S GOOTTY PLANKIN? I'VE COME FOR MY KID BROTHER! I SAID I'D TAKE HIM OUT OF HERE, AND I WILL, IF I HAVE TO DO IT OVER YOUR DEAD BODIES!



SO YOU'RE THE BOSS, EH? WELL, I DON'T LIKE BOSSES, AND I DON'T LIKE REFORM SCHOOLS! SO I... THINK... I'LL...



... LET YOU HAVE IT!

HE GOT AWAY! LOOK OUT, C. B. HE'S A TOUGH APPLE!



I APPRECIATE YOUR AFFECTION FOR YOUR BROTHER, BUT IF YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING HIM A FAVOR, YOU'RE DEAD WRONG!



FROM YOUR SHOW OF BAD MANNERS, IT SEEMS YOU BELONG HERE MORE THAN HE - DOES!

SWOOSH



BOY, OH, BOY! THAT C. B. GUY IS ALL RIGHT! SCOTTY'S BROTHER IS NO PUSHOVER!

BRING HIM INTO MY OFFICE, GUARD!

JEEPERS! DID YOU SEE THAT C.B. SENT HIM RIGHT OVER HIS HEAD!

C'MON! GET UP ON YOUR FEET!



I'M SORRY, BUT I CAN'T LET YOU TALK TO SCOTTY - NOT WHILE YOU'RE SO BITTER! YOU CAN'T FIGHT THE WHOLE COMMUNITY, PETER! YOU'RE SCOTTY'S IDOL! WHAT YOU ARE, HE MAY VERY WELL BECOME - THAT'S SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT! HOW ABOUT GOING BACK TO THE AUDITORIUM WITH US AND SEEING THE REST OF THAT MOVIE?

ALL RIGHT, BUT ONLY BECAUSE I WANNA SEE WHAT KIND OF JUNK YOU'RE FEEDIN' HIM!



THAT WAS SOME PICTURE WASN'T IT? IT MUST BE PRETTY TOUGH IN THE BIG HOUSE! I DON'T WANT ANY PART OF...

ME, NEITHER! OR TO WIND UP WITH A SLUG IN THE GUTTER!

OR MAYBE THE HOT SEAT, GEE!

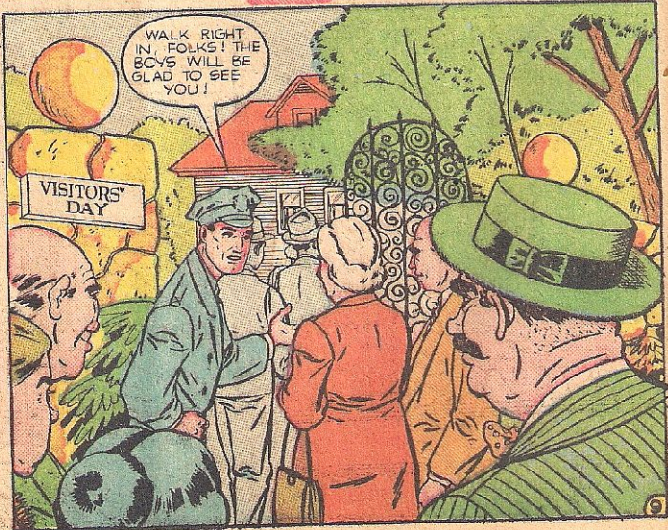
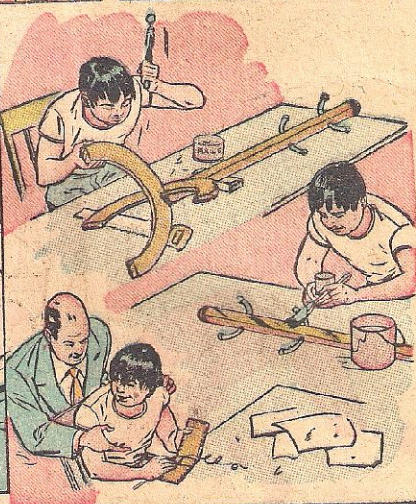
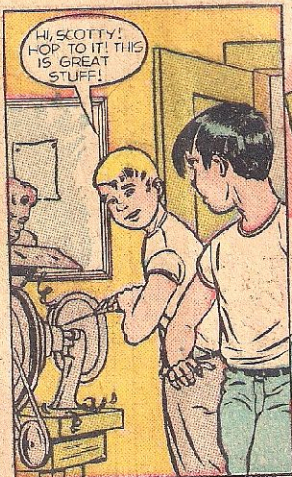
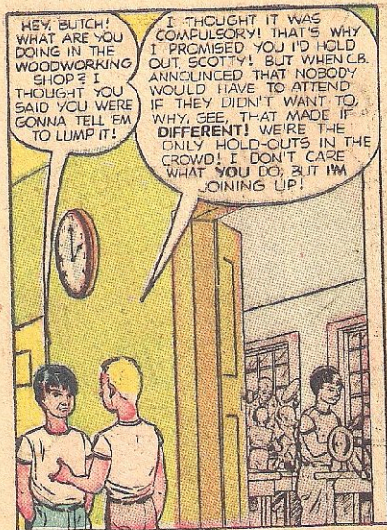
C.B. MUST BE A RIGHT GUY! HE CERTAINLY KNOWS HIS STUFF!

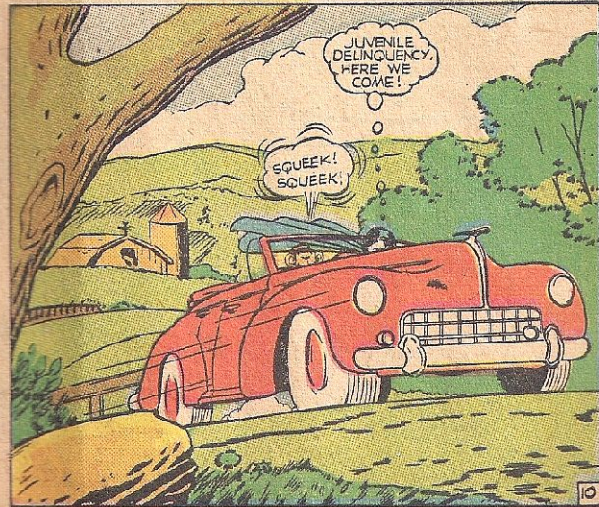


THERE GOES SCOTTY'S BROTHER WITH HIS TAIL BETWEEN HIS LEGS! HE'S LUCKY THEY DIDN'T SLAP HIM IN JAIL!

HEY, OUR WORKSHOPS ARE OPENIN' TOMORROW! I WONDER IF I'D LIKE PRINTIN' OR WOODWORKIN' BEST?

ME FOR PHOTOGRAPHY! THAT'S DOT GLAMOR!







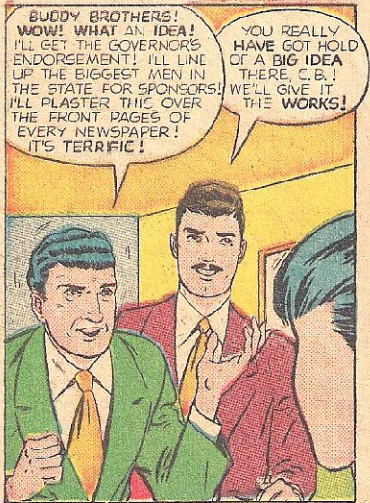
MEET CAL LANTIN, C.B. CAL HAS FORGOTTEN MORE ABOUT PUBLICITY THAN ANYONE SINCE P.T. BARNUM EVER KNEW! NOW, WHAT IS THIS BIG IDEA OF YOURS?



THIS IDEA HIT ME WHEN I SAW THAT YOUNGSTER, WHO THOUGHT HE WAS A TOUGH GUY, FOLD UP BECAUSE HIS OLDER BROTHER DIDN'T GET AROUND ON VISITING DAV! WHAT THESE KIDS—DELINQUENT OR NOT—NEED MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE IS THE GUIDING INSPIRATION OF MEN THEY ADMIRE!



SOMETIMES, IN THEIR NEED, THEY EVEN IMITATE BAD MEN! IF ADULTS WOULD ONLY UNDERSTAND THIS—IF STRONG, CLEAN-CUT SYMPATHETIC MEN WOULD EACH SHOULDER RESPONSIBILITY FOR AT LEAST ONE BOY WHO NEEDS HELP, THE DELINQUENCY RATE WOULD FALL TO AN ALL-TIME LOW! SO I SUGGEST A VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATION OF BUDDY BROTHERS TO DO JUST THAT!



BUDDY BROTHERS! WOW! WHAT AN IDEA! I'LL GET THE GOVERNOR'S ENDORSEMENT! I'LL LINE UP THE BIGGEST MEN IN THE STATE FOR SPONSORS! I'LL PASTER THIS OVER THE FRONT PAGES OF EVERY NEWSPAPER! IT'S TERRIFIC!

YOU REALLY HAVE GOT HOLD OF A BIG IDEA THERE, C.B.! WE'LL GIVE IT THE WORKS!

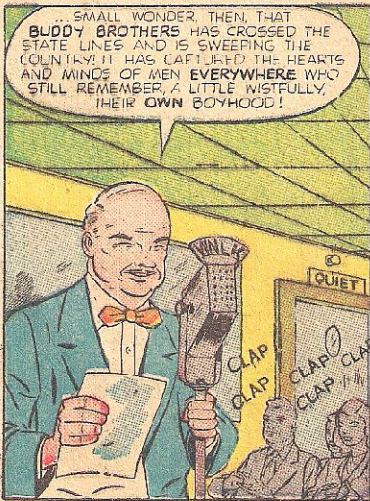


STEP ON T, MIKE! THE TRUCKS ARE WAITING!



THIS BUDDY BROTHERS IDEA IS CERTAINLY TAKING HOLD! I SEE IN THE PAPER WHERE RED KELTON WILL TALK ABOUT IT OVER A NATIONAL RADIO HOOKUP TONIGHT!

IT IS GREAT STUFF! I TOOK A FATHERLESS YOUNGSTER IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD UNDER MY WING LAST WEEK! I'M COACHING HIM IN SPORTS AND I BOUGHT HIM A SANDSAW AND A WORKBENCH! AND, BELIEVE IT OR NOT, I'M GETTING AS BIG A KICK OUT OF IT AS HE IS!

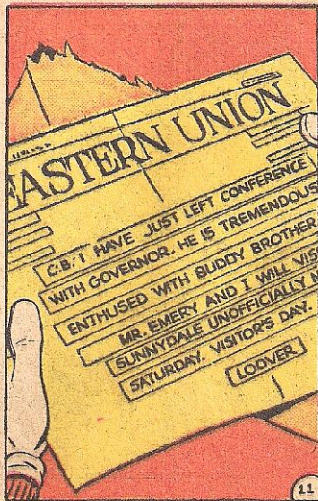


... SMALL WONDER THEN, THAT BUDDY BROTHERS HAS CROSSED THE STATE LINES AND IS SWEEPING THE COUNTRY! IT HAS CAPTURED THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF MEN EVERYWHERE WHO STILL REMEMBER, A LITTLE WISTFULLY, THEIR OWN BOYHOOD!

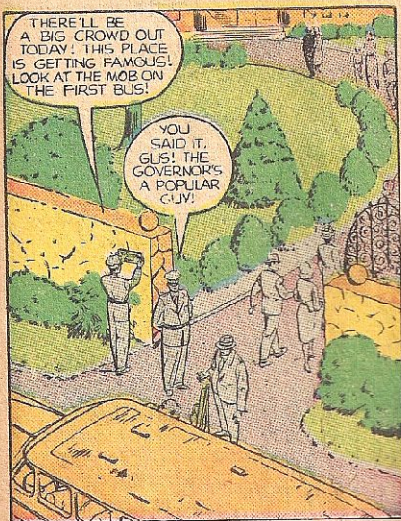


A WIRE FROM THE STATE CAPITOL, C.B.!

THANK YOU!



EASTERN UNION
 C.B. I HAVE JUST LEFT CONFERENCE WITH GOVERNOR. HE IS TREMENDOUSLY ENTHUSIASTIC WITH BUDDY BROTHERS. MR. EMERY AND I WILL VISIT SUNNYDALE UNOFFICIALLY SATURDAY. VISITORS DAY.
 LOOVER



THERE'LL BE A BIG CROWD OUT TODAY! THIS PLACE IS GETTING FAMOUS! LOOK AT THE MOB ON THE FIRST BUS!

YOU SAID IT, GUS! THE GOVERNOR'S A POPULAR GUY!



THERE'S MY BROTHER, PETE! AND THERE'S POP! GANGWAY, YOU GUYS!

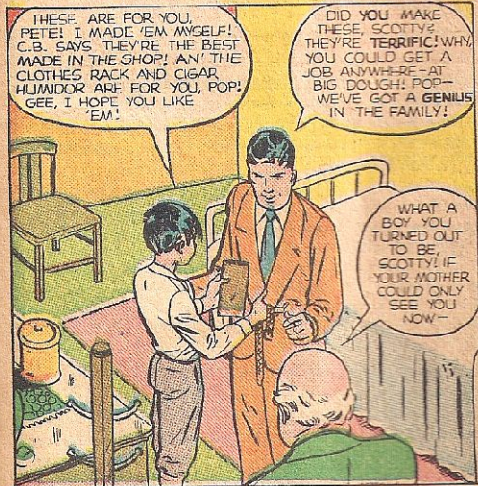
GEE SCOTTY'S FATHER FINALLY VISITED HIM!



HOLY COW, PETE! WHAT'S HAPPENED TO YOU? YOU LOOK LIKE CLARK GABRIEL OR THE DUKE OF WINDSOR OR SOMETHING!

COME ON UP TO MY ROOM! I GOTTA SURPRISE FOR YOU BOTH!

PETE HAS BECOME A MAN OF SUBSTANCE, SCOTTY! HE HAS AT LAST BROUGHT HONOR TO THE NAME OF PLANKIN, AND NOT WITH A POOL CUE! HE IS NOW BELIEVED IT OR NOT - A REGULAR EMPLOYEE OF THE SANITATION DEPARTMENT!



THESE ARE FOR YOU, PETE! I MADE 'EM MYSELF! C.B. SAYS THEY'RE THE BEST MADE IN THE SHOP! AN' THE CLOTHES RACK AND CIGAR HUMIDOR ARE FOR YOU, POP! GEE, I HOPE YOU LIKE 'EM!

DID YOU MAKE THESE, SCOTTY? THEY'RE TERRIFIC! WHY YOU COULD GET A JOB ANYWHERE - AT BIG DOUGH! POP - WE'VE GOT A GENIUS IN THE FAMILY!

WHAT A BOY YOU TURNED OUT TO BE, SCOTTY! IF YOUR MOTHER COULD ONLY SEE YOU NOW!



YOU HAVE DONE AN UNBELIEVABLE JOB, C.B. FROM NOW ON, SUNNYDALE WILL SERVE AS A MODEL FOR EVERY REFORMATORY IN THE STATE! YOUR BUDDY BROTHERS IDEA WAS CHEER INSPIRATION! THE WHOLE COUNTRY IS RESPONDING TO IT! MR. EMERY TELLS ME THAT THE SAUGBRURY FOUNDATION IS DOUBTING IT'S CONTRIBUTION TO SUNNYDALE, AND I SHOULD LIKE TO ADD THAT THE STATE WILL DO THE SAME!

THAT IS VERY GENEROUS OF YOU BOTH, GOVERNOR! AND DON'T THINK I AM UNAPPRECIATIVE, BUT I REALLY DO WANT YOU TO LOOK AROUND FOR ANOTHER SUPERINTENDENT! MY WORK HERE IS DONE! SHALL WE GO OUT NOW AND LOOK AT THE GROUNDS? THE BOYS ARE PUTTING ON A BALL GAME IN YOUR HONOR, THIS AFTERNOON!



WELL, I'LL TELL YOU, SCOTTY! IT WAS THIS BUDDY BROTHERS THING THAT SNAPPED ME INTO IT! I SAID TO MYSELF, NO STRANGERS GOING TO MOVE IN ON SCOTTY WHEN HE'S GOT A REAL BUDDY BROTHER RIGHT IN THE FAMILY! SO I TELEPHONED C.B. AND HE TELEPHONED THE GOVERNOR, AND THE NEXT THING I KNEW, I HAD A JOB! I GOT RESPONSIBILITIES NOW, THAT I NEVER THOUGHT OF BEFORE! YOU'RE ONE OF THEM, SCOTTY, AND I'LL NEVER LET YOU DOWN AGAIN!

YOU'RE A GOOD GUY, PETE! I-I, GEE, I LIKE YOU A LOT, PETE!

YER, SCOTTY, IT'S A NEW DAY FOR ALL OF US!



THERE'S A BOY THEY WARNED ME AGAINST - SCOTTY PLANKIN! HE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE SLAIED FOR A CAREER OF CRIME AND THE BIG HOUSE - INSTEAD, HE TURNED OUT TO BE A FINE AND CAPABLE YOUNGSTER! HE'LL BE LEAVING SOON - THERE ARE TOO MANY KIDS LIKE SCOTTY WHO GET ON THE CROOKED ROAD BECAUSE NOBODY CARES! IT'S UP TO US TO STRAIGHTEN THOSE ROADS OUT!

THE END

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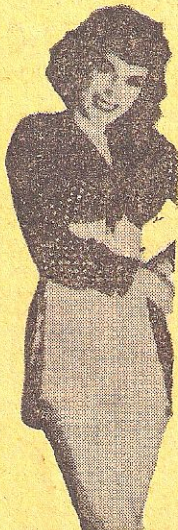
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SENT ON APPROVAL

The RIDDLE of the MYSTERY HOUSE!

"GEE, Scarecrow, do you think we ought to be doing this?" said Pee Wee anxiously. "What if somebody catches us here at the Venner Estate?"

"They won't, Pee Wee," replied Scarecrow. "Besides, D. D. said the house would probably be closed up for several years while they settle the estate. And old man Venner liked us kids a lot—he wouldn't mind our coming back to see the house. He asked us to come up here a couple of times—and we did—remember? But he wasn't home." Scarecrow worked diligently at the cellar window of the old mansion, trying to pry it loose without breaking it. "Hey, hand me that stick, Jock. I think I almost have it."

The old mansion had been the subject of much speculation in the town ever since Dr. Venner had first bought it nine years before. A renowned scientist and explorer, he had retired as head of the department of archaeology at the state university. The town was honored at first to have such a world-famed—and wealthy—citizen, but their admiration cooled as one after another their invitations and attempts at friendship were turned down. "No time for that sort of thing. So sorry . . . so sorry." Dr. Venner would say. "Many more important things to be done than balancing tea-cups and fiddle-faddling around. Good-day."

"Fiddle-faddling, indeed!" exclaimed one persistent dowager, who had pursued the venerable doctor with more than usual tenacity. "And what does he call that mumbo-jumbo he practices up there? Crazy, I call him. He's too smart to be polite to the likes of us, and then he hobnobs around with any little ragamuffin he picks up in the streets!"

What had really irked the town most of all, however, were the strange goings-on up at the Venner house. No one had ever seen the inside of it, but everyone had seen crates and packages, lumber and concrete and furnishings being moved into the house. Workmen had been called in by Dr. Venner from out of town, and evidently they had been well paid to keep their mouths shut. Rumors ran from "He's building a chamber of horrors," to "Oh, he's just an old crackpot who thinks he's an inventor or a magician or something." But the children of Pittstown saw him in a different light. The doctor may have been barely civil to the townspeople, but he would spend long hours with children, telling them of ancient Egypt, of the Mayan and Inca temples, of the innumerable wonders he had seen in his lifetime. He had spent many such hours with the Wise Guys themselves, and they had looked on him as an eccentric but thoroughly delightful friend.

"It doesn't seem right that such a swell guy should have such a greedy bunch of relatives," said Jock. "D. D. said that ever since Dr. Venner

died, more and more relatives have been cropping up, trying to cash in on his money. The estate will probably be tied up in litigation for a long time to come. Hey! The window's starting to give! Want me to help you?"

Jock jumped down into the window well, and he and Scarecrow put all their weight into prying the frame loose. "We've got it! Here, Curly, prop the window open with that stick."

The Wise Guys crouched down to look into the musty interior. "Jeepers, it's dark in there!" Pee Wee shrank back. "What do you say we wait and see if D. D. can get permission to take us through?"

"No, sir!" said Jock. "Those relatives wouldn't allow it. Anyway, remember the invitation Dr. Venner gave us—'Come and see me, boys, and if I'm not there, you'll be welcome anyway.'"

Jock peered into the cellar. "Here, Curly, hand me that candle." He carefully lowered himself through the window. There was a short drop to the floor. "Hey, fellas! I landed on something soft! It—it's a mat!" The other Wise Guys quickly followed Jock into the cellar.

"Gee, it looks like sort of a padded cell with all this padding and—and the ropes and bars," said Jock. "It's sure spooky. Come on, let's go look at the rest of the house."

The four boys crept on into the next room, following the gleam of the candle. The air was stale and musty, and the twisting corridors and chopped-up rooms gave little hint of what was beyond. The boys became more and more uncertain and nervous. The atmosphere was still and somehow expectant.

"Look at the walls! They're all painted with murals, or something. And the floor is all mosaic with funny designs. Maybe they're magic symbols. It's—ouch!" Jock stopped suddenly, halted by chicken wire that stretched from floor to ceiling. He looked as far as he could see in the dim candlelight. "Gee, what a big hole! It's pitch black down there!" The Wise Guys backed away fearfully. "What do you suppose *that's* for?" asked Pee Wee, nervously. "I don't like the looks of it. Maybe it's a bottomless pit, or—or a vat!"

"Yipe! Look at that!" hollered Curly. "There's somebody standing over there in the corner. And over there, too! They're bodies! They have . . ." His shout was interrupted by a clank from the corner. The boys whirled in terror, their eyes wide and nerves tense. "Let's get out of here! There's somebody here!" The boys tripped over one another in a rush to get back to the open window and the comforting safety of the sunshine.

"Which direction did we come?" shouted Pee Wee. "This way?"

"No! Over that way—through the arches!"

"Here! This way!" shouted Jock, but Pee Wee was already scrambling in the opposite direction.

Jock called again. Pee Wee paid no attention in his frantic efforts to get out. Suddenly he tripped and fell forward. Immediately, a sepulchral voice came booming out of the stillness.

"I, Adolph Venner—*bn gl-vm-brrrmmmmmm* . . ." The voice died in a horrible, blood-curdling gurgle!

"Y-i-i-i!" Pee Wee picked himself up and tore back to the others. "Help! Help! Get me out of here!"

The boys raced for the window. Hastily they hoisted themselves through the window well and out into the sunshine.

Twenty minutes later they found Daredevil. In an incoherent babble, they tried to tell him about their discovery. Daredevil was finally able to piece the story together.

"You shouldn't have been in there at all, Wise Guys, and you know it!" he said. "But what's done is done. And now we'd better find out what's going on out there. Wait till I call Mr. Bart, Venner's lawyer. Maybe he has some idea of what the explanation is."

But Mr. Bart was no help. "I've never been in the house, and don't know a thing about it," he said. "All I know is that about two years ago he sent me a letter saying that under no circumstances was anyone to be allowed in or near his house for one year after his death—not even a caretaker. It's all pretty odd, particularly since he left no will. In the meantime, I have all of his relatives on my hands, squabbling and yelling about court action. I, of course, didn't give you permission, but if you investigate without my knowledge, I guess there's nothing I can do about it."

With this back-handed permission, Daredevil and the four nervous, apprehensive boys set out for the Venner mansion, this time armed with several flashlights. They entered through the same window. Daredevil flashed the beam around the room, and the boys gaped in amazement. "Why, it's a gymnasium! What the—what would old Dr. Venner have a gym for?" Jock exclaimed. "He was about as athletic as a feather! So *this* is what we thought was sort of a padded cell!"

"Let's go on and see the rest of the layout, kids," said Daredevil, "and particularly where your voice came from. Pee Wee, do you remember the spot where you tripped and fell?"

"Well, it was just after we saw the bottomless pit, over in this direction," said Pee Wee. "Down this corridor . . . then left . . . and here's the pit."

"Pit!" exclaimed Scarecrow. "It's a pretty elegant pit—it's a swimming-pool, and the chicken wire is up to keep people from falling in. What gives?"

Daredevil shot the light from his flashlight around the large, tiled room. "It looks to me like Venner installed about as complete a sports set-up as I've ever seen. There are the figures you saw—those statues in the corner."

"You know those magic symbols on the walls and floors back there?" said Scarecrow excitedly.

"They're for hopscotch an' shuffleboard an' darts an' everything! They're built right into the tile!"

Pee Wee was rushing ahead to the place where he had tripped and fallen. Daredevil was close

behind him, and as they entered the room where the voice had been, Daredevil stopped and picked up an end of wire. "Could this be what tripped you, Pee Wee?" he asked. "It's fastened to a box over there."

The two of them walked over to the box, and as Daredevil opened it, he called to the boys. "I've found Pee Wee's voice, only he didn't give it a chance to finish. It's a recording, and you jerked the wire so hard, the box tipped and the needle came off the record."

"Hey, play!" shouted Pee Wee.

Daredevil righted the phonograph and started the record. The voice of the late Dr. Venner boomed again through the room. "I, Adolph Venner, being of sound mind and memory, do declare on this eighteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and forty-nine, that this is my last will and testament, revoking all others. I hereby give and bequeath to the boys of Pittstown all of my earthly possessions."

"Wow!"

"Shut up, Pee Wee!" said Jock. "Listen to the rest."

"First, I do give and bequeath to these boys my home, hereinafter referred to Pittstown Center, which I have equipped and remodelled to suit the tastes of the many boys I have known here." The record wound on, with Dr. Venner's voice giving the stipulations of the trust fund and the supervision of the home.

"Gee, how wonderful!" shouted Scarecrow. "Let's get going. How soon can we have the pool filled? And let's play basketball this afternoon!"

"Why the heck do you suppose he made it so complicated to get in, D. D.?" asked Pee Wee.

"Let's play the other side of the record, Pee Wee. Maybe that'll tell us."

The record started again. It began with Dr. Venner's deep-throated chuckle, then, "Well, boys, how do you like it? If I know young boys at all well, they can't resist a deserted house, and especially one that's been as talked about as this old mansion. And I'll warrant exploring deserted houses has never been as profitable before! Well, I've had my little joke, and just in case those grabby relatives of mine think a recorded will is illegal, a properly-signed one will be sent to Mr. Bart by the University one year from the date of my death. Have fun, kids!"

"So that's why he spent so many hours with us," said Jock. "He really was a swell old guy, in spite of what all the grown-ups said about him. The only change I'd recommend in his plans is to call this Venner House, whether it's legal or not."

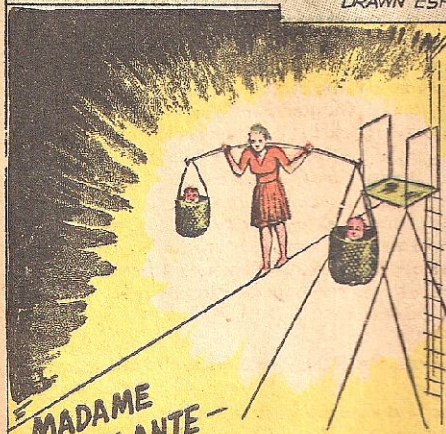
"No, I wouldn't do that," said Daredevil. "Men like Dr. Venner are modest. He wouldn't like it, and he knew that you'd remember him anyway, without plastering his name all over the place. But remember, boys, just because *this* deserted house turned into a bonanza," continued Daredevil, "it doesn't mean that searching through any and all deserted houses is in order."

"Don't worry, D. D.," said Jock. "We'll be much too busy playing around here to have time for investigating any more houses." THE END

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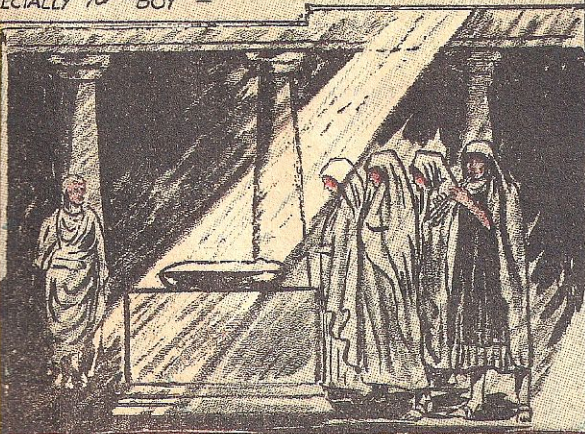
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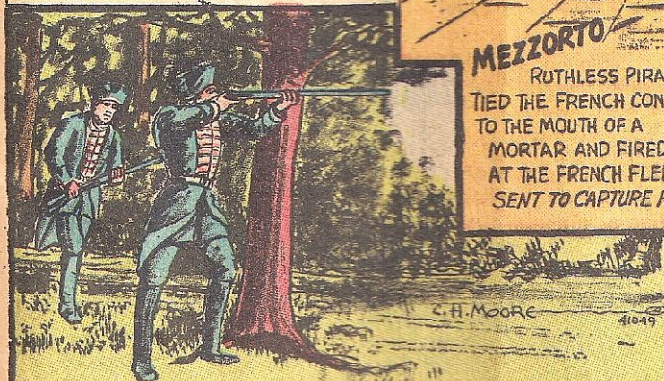
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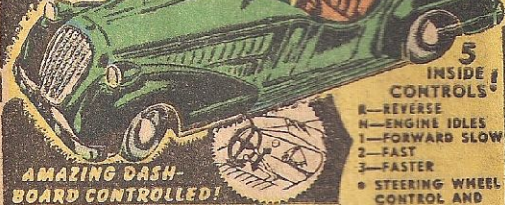
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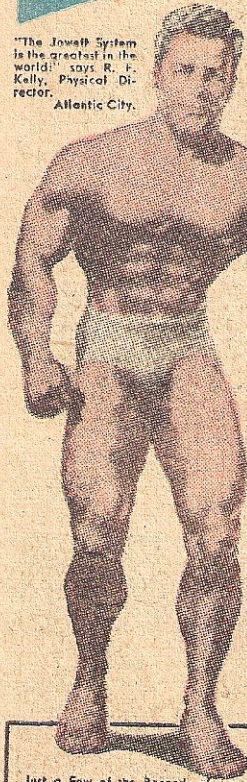
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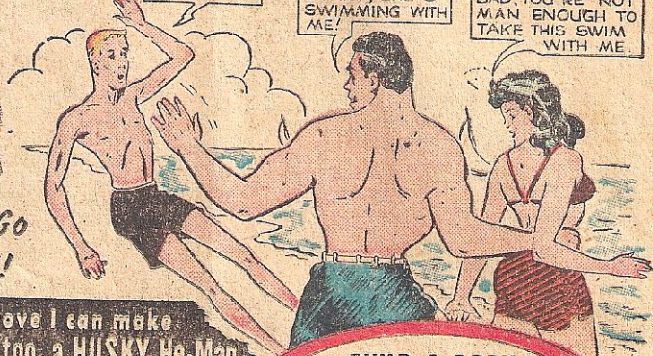
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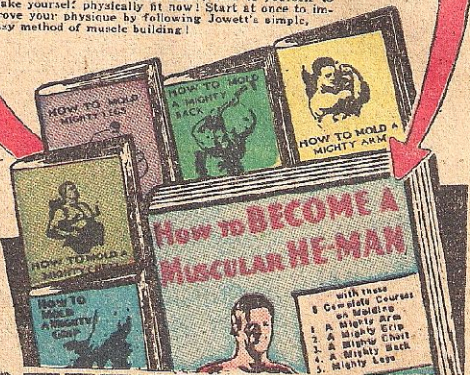
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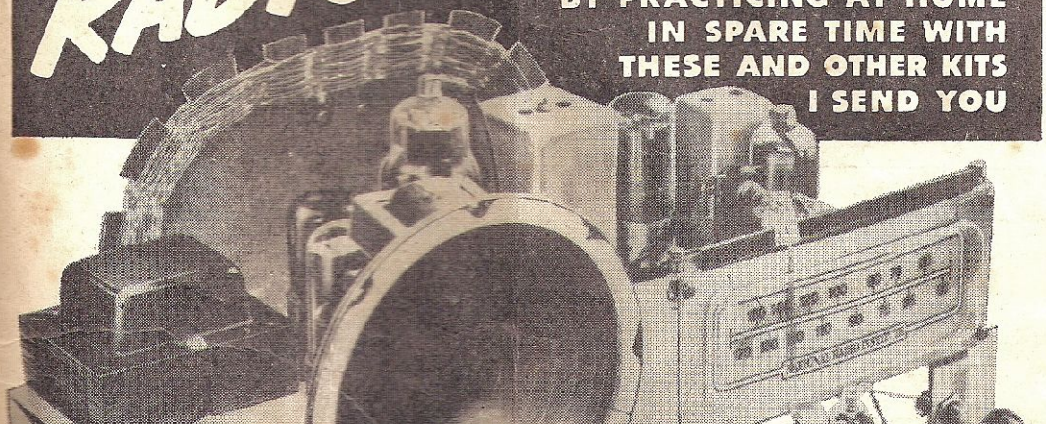
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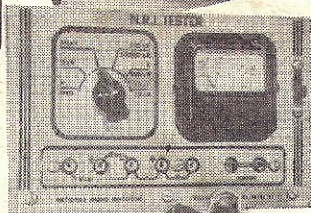
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